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SUBJECT: JOHN DILLINGER GANG

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Director
Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Re: HARRY PIERPOINT with aliases, et al
Nat'l Motor Vehicle Theft Act
Murder of Sheriff Jesse Serber, Lima, O.
Escapes from Indiana State Prison

Dear Sir:

Referring to my report dated 11/4/33 it will be noted on Page 3 that Subjects are alleged to have robbed the Police Station at Auburn, Indiana on October 14, 1933 at which time several guns were stolen.

For the information of the Division and other offices concerned, there is being transmitted herewith a list of the weapons and equipment stolen from the Auburn, Indiana Police Station, this list having been furnished by Charles Davis, Chief of Police, Auburn, Indiana.

Very truly yours,

Wm Larson

Wm. Larson
Special Agent in Charge

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NOTICE TO POLICE OFFICERS

Auburn, Indiana, October 28, 1933.

The Police Station, Auburn, Indiana, was robbed October 14, 1933, about 11:30 P. M. by three men with 45 calibre revolvers; covered two policemen on duty at station, taking the following:

-1 Thompson Machine Gun, Serial No.
409T364
1 L Type Magazine
1 Machine Gun clip
2 Bullet Proof Vests
44-40 Winchester Rifle—1897 Model
—lever action
401 Automatic Winchester Rifle—2
clips

30 Calibre Springfield Army Rifle
45 Colt Automatic Army Revolver
38 Special Smith & Wesson Revolver
9 M M German Luger Revolver
25 Spanish Automatic Pistol
38 Hammerless Nickel Plated Revolver
1245 Automatic Cartridges
44 Smith & Wesson Special Revolver

Guns can all be identified by officers.

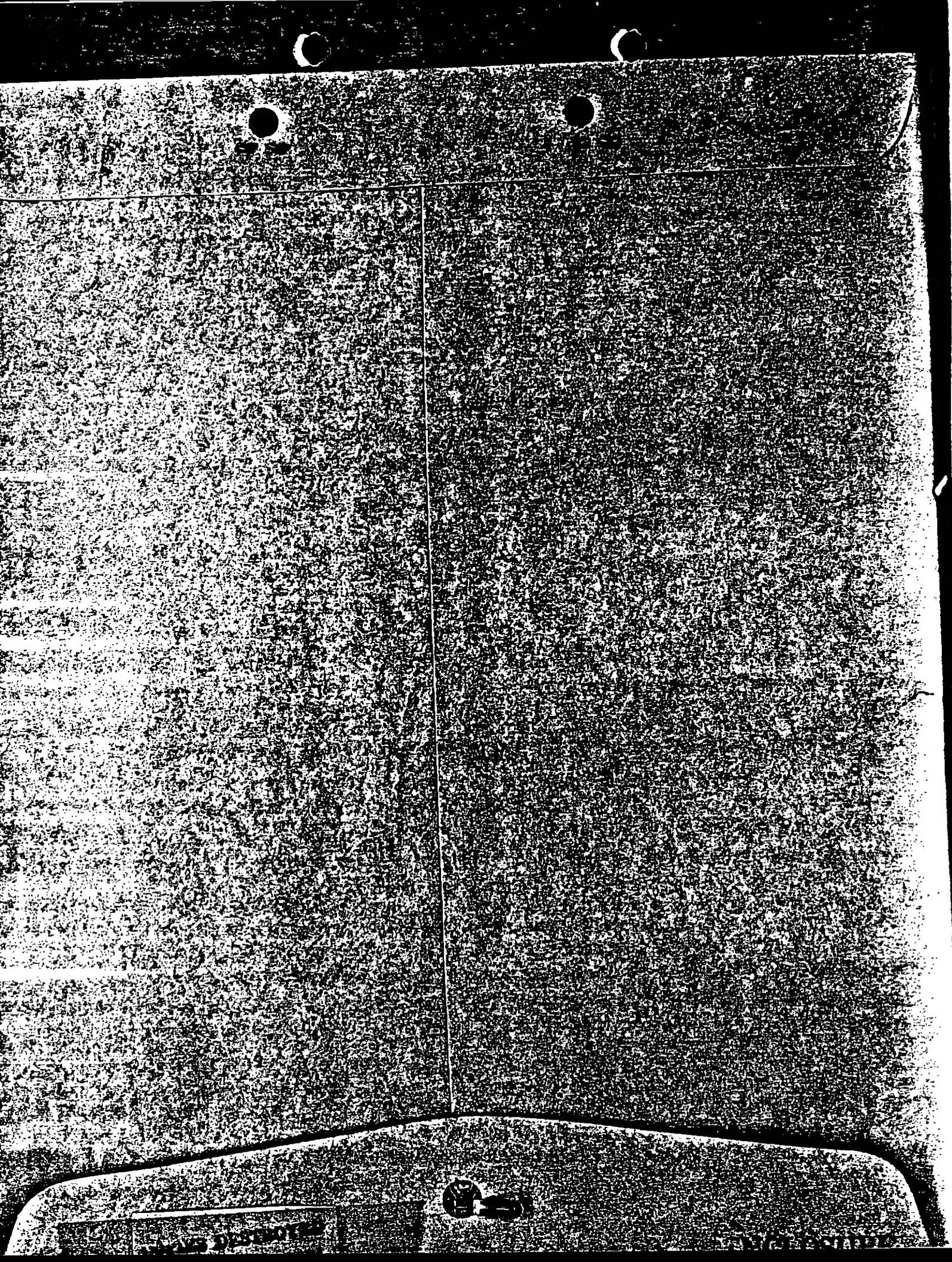
Any information received concerning this robbery, please communicate with

CHARLES DAVIS, Chief of Police

Auburn, Indiana

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JOSEPH BOX

Age - 29

Height - 5' 9"

Weight - 154

Build - medium

Eyes - yellow slate

Hair Dark chestnut

Complexion - medium

Police no. - Indiana State Police No. 13883

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20 Lafayette Building,
Detroit, Michigan.

38384

November 20, 1933.

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HARRY PIERSPORT, et al.
K.M.V.T.A. & M.L.C.
Murder of Jessie Barber.
Lans., O., 9/26.

Dear Sir:

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Thanking you very kindly for your co-operation
in this matter, I am,

Very truly yours,

W. LARSON,
Special Agent in Charge

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b7E - Harry Elmer, et al
G.M.F.A.J. Inc.
Murder of James Barber,
Lima, O., p. 80.

Dear Sirs:

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Thanking you very kindly for your co-operation in
this matter, I am,

Very truly yours,

COL. LADDON,
Special Agent in Charge

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[REDACTED] - DALEY PINEHORN, et al
S.E.T.L.J. 2190. - Report
of James Carter, Wm. C., etc.

Dear Sirs:

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Thanking you very kindly for your communication in
this matter, I am,

Very truly yours,

MR. LARSON,
Special Agent in Charge

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b7E - HARRY PIERPOINT, et al
U.M.V.T.A., alias;
Master of Jessie Barber,
Lila, O., etc.

Dear Sirs:

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Thanking you very kindly for your co-operation
in this matter, I am,

Very truly yours,

W. E. PATRICK,
Special Agent in Charge

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623 Lafayette Building,
Detroit, Michigan.

November 20, 1933

Dear Sir:

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Thanking you very kindly for your co-operation
in this matter, I am,

Very truly yours,

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MR. LARSON,
Special Agent in Charge

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625 Lafayette Building
Detroit, Michigan

November 20

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Mr. Nease	R. C.
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Mr. Egan
Mr. Eustis
Mr. Hussey
Mr. Quinn
Mr. Lester
Mr. Leake

Director
Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Re: HARRY PIERPONT, et al.
National Motor Vehicle Theft Act;
Miscellaneous: Murder of Jesse Barber,
Lima, Ohio; Escapes from Indiana State
Penitentiary

Dear Sir:

There is being transmitted herewith a clipping
taken from the Detroit Times of November 17, 1933, out-
lining recent developments at Chicago concerning John
Dillinger, a Subject in this case, who successfully
evaded arrest in Chicago on November 16.

Very truly yours,

Wm. Larson

Wm. Larson
Special Agent in Charge

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INDIANA BANDIT EVADES POLICE

Dillinger, Trapped In Chicago,
Makes Escape by Use of
Machine Gun.

CHICAGO, Nov. 16.—(P)—John Dillinger, wanted as the leader of a band of Indiana bank robbers, vanished today after a daring escape from a carefully laid police net.

Sixteen Indiana state policemen and Chicago detectives chased Dillinger, a woman and another man, for several miles through the northwest section of Chicago Wednesday after "bottling" up his automobile in front of a physician's office.

In the end the police were forced to retreat in confusion as bullets from a machine gun in Dillinger's car poured from a porthole and spattered windshields of the cars of his pursuers.

FREED ON OCT. 12.

Dillinger came into prominence Oct. 12 when men identified as escaped convicts from the Indiana State Penitentiary at Michigan City delivered him from the Allen County, Ohio, jail at Lima after slaying Sheriff Jess Sarber.

Since then he is credited with leading the outlaws in a number of Indiana bank robberies. The gang also is said to have raided two police stations in Indiana and fled with guns and ammunition.

Lieut. John Jenkins and Sergt. G. W. Ryah, of the Indiana State Police, Wednesday traced Dillinger to Chicago and sought the aid of detectives in capturing him when he kept an appointment with a physician.

CROSSES UP POLICE

When Dillinger's car appeared three squads of Chicago police and one from Indiana were stationed nearby in four machines parked so as to head him off when he drove away.

But Dillinger failed to drive south, as expected. He backed his car up and headed west. In a moment police were in pursuit and the battle

From the
DETROIT TIMES
November 17, 1933

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UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

FORM NO. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT DETROIT, MICHIGAN.

FILE NO. 26-6046

REPORT MADE AT	DATE WHEN MADE	MEXICO FOR WHICH MADE	REPORT MADE BY
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.	NOV 20 1933	MICHIGAN	DETROIT
TITLE		GVT	
HARRY FLICKERTON, WITH A GROUP OF MEN		FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION DETROIT FIELD OFFICE, JAMES J. MCNAUL, 111 W. GRAND AVENUE, DETROIT, MICHIGAN	
SYNOPSIS OF REPORT		RECEIVED DEPT. OF JUSTICE MISSION ONE NOV 20 1933	
REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent in Charge, Detroit, Michigan, Nov. 11, 1933.			
DETAILS: AT SOUTH BEND, INDIANA.			
<p>b7c</p> <p>Agent inquired of Chief of Police John H. Keayport and other officers of the Detective Bureau as to their knowledge of any of the Hamiltons living at 2809 Douglas Street, but the Chief and his men stated that they did not know the people at said address.</p> <p>Agent had information from the Post Office that 2809 Douglas Street is not served by a carrier line and the address while in South Bend Indiana has been registered under General Delivery.</p>			
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South Bend, Indiana. It is not thought advisable at this time to make
any direct inquiries at the said address looking for information regarding
John Hamilton.

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November 24, 1933.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
305 Lafayette Building,
Detroit, Michigan.

Dear Sir:

Re Harry Morgan, with aliases, et al
National Motor Vehicle Theft Index.

Recent Associated Press Dispatches carried under Chicago date line of November 20, 1933, a story regarding the removal of subject Harry Copeland of the above entitled case from Chicago to the Indiana State Prison at Michigan City, but does not report the details surrounding the apprehension of this subject.

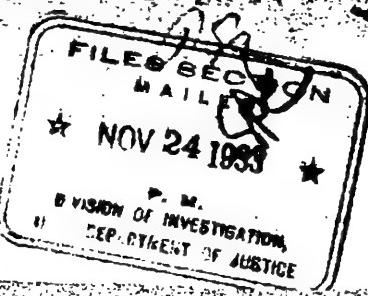
The Division desires to receive information relative to these details at the earliest possible date. A copy of this letter is being directed to the Chicago Office so that appropriate investigation will be made in that District relative to the apprehension.

Very truly yours,

Director.

cc - Chicago

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WASHINGTON D. C. STAR - November

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CATCH DESPERADO AFTER AUTO WRECK

Indiana and Chicago Police Escort

Prisoner to Hoosier State

Prison

By the Associated Press.

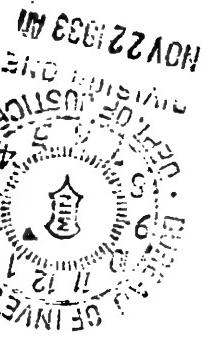
CHICAGO, November 20.—A caravan of heavily armed Chicago and Indiana state police made its way out of the city early today bearing Harry Copeland, 23, wanted for murder in Ohio and bank robbery in Indiana, back to the Hoosier State prison at Michigan City.

Copeland, identified by witnesses as one of the desperados who delivered John Dillinger, paroled Indiana convict, from the jail at Lima, Ohio, last October 12 after killing Sheriff Jess Barber, was arrested last night as he brandished a revolver after an automobile accident. At first he maintained he was John Stanton and connected with a labor union.

It was less than a week ago that Dillinger shot his way out of a carefully laid police trap.

But, aside from admitting that he knew Dillinger, the prisoner maintained a sullen silence and denied having taken part in the Lima jail-breakaway which has been linked to the escape of 10 prisoners from the Indiana prison a few days before.

Mr. Nathan
Mr. Tolson
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Edwards
Mr. Egan
Mr. Hughes
Mr. Quinn
Mr. Lester
Mr. Looke



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WASHINGTON D.C. TIMES - November 20, 1933. 5D 2 fm

HELD AS KILLER OF SHERIFF

CHICAGO, Nov. 20 (T.N.S.) — Guarded by a police shotgun squad, Harry Copeland, paroled Indiana convict, was held today for Ohio authorities as one of five desperadoes who raided the Lima (Ohio) county jail, killing Sheriff Jess Barber.

After lengthy questioning, Copeland admitting knowing John Dillinger, Indiana desperado, liberated in the raid that brought death to Barber. He denied all knowledge of the jail attack, however.

To prevent any attempt to free Copeland, police armed with sawed-off shotguns and a machine gun guarded his cell. Lima authorities promised to take immediate action to have Copeland extradited for trial as one of the sheriff's murderers. He has been identified from photographs, police said, as one of the killers.

Mr. Nathan
Mr. Olson
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Edwards
Mr. Egan
Mr. Hughes
Mr. Quinn
Mr. Lester
Mr. Locke

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U. S. Bureau of Investigation

Department of Justice
1900 Bankers Building,
Chicago, Illinois.

Mr. Nathan.....
Mr. Tolson.....
Mr. Clegg.....
Mr. Edwards.....
Mr. Egan.....
Mr. Hughes.....
Mr. Quinn.....
Mr. Lester.....
Mr. Locke.....

November 27, 1933.

Director,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

With further reference to my letter to you dated November 10, 1933, enclosing a memorandum by Special Agent W. J. Devereux relative to the recent escapes from the Indiana State Penitentiary at Michigan City, Indiana, there is attached, hereto, a newspaper clipping, together with a copy of a memorandum from Special Agent W. J. Devereux, which indicates that Joseph Taylor has been arrested on a charge of carrying a concealed weapon at South Bend, Indiana.

Very truly yours,

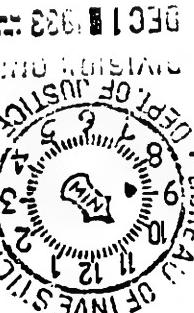
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M. H. PURVIS,
Special Agent in Charge.

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✓ South Bend, Indiana, Tribune.
November 22, 1933.

Re: Michigan City, Indiana,
Prison Escapes.

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South Bend, Indiana,
November 22, 1933.

Memorandum for Mr. Purvis:

Re: Michigan City, Indiana, Prison Escapes.

I was advised by Chief of Police John R. Kuespert of South Bend, Indiana, today that Joseph Taylor, who was an undercover operative for Warden Louis Kuhne of the Michigan City State Penitentiary at Michigan City, Indiana, was arrested on November 21, 1933, on a charge of carrying a concealed weapon while an ex-convict.

You will remember that this is the man with whom I went out looking for some of the escaped prisoners several weeks ago.

I am enclosing a newspaper clipping from the South Bend Tribune, dated November 22, 1933, regarding the arrest.

W. J. DEVEREUX,
Special Agent.

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U. S. Bureau of Investigation

Department of Justice
625 Lafayette Building
Detroit, Michigan
December 2
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Mr. Nathan.....
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Mr. Egan.....
Mr. Hughes.....
Mr. Quinn.....
Mr. Lester.....
Mr. Locke.....

Director
Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Re: HARRY PIERPONT, with aliases, et al.
National Motor Vehicle Theft Act
Murder of Sheriff Jesse Sarber, Lima, Ohio
Escapes from Indiana State Prison

Dear Sir:

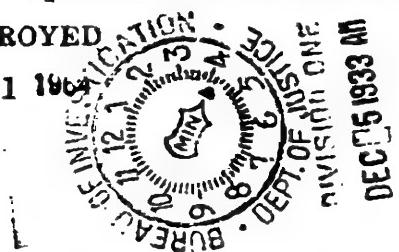
There is being transmitted herewith copy of a letter received at this office from Mr. Ernest M. Botkin, Prosecuting Attorney, Lima, Ohio, in which he requests that the bullets found in the County Jail at Lima following the murder of Sheriff Jesse Sarber and which bullets were forwarded by this office to the Division, be forwarded to the Chief of Detectives of the Chicago Police Department, to be used regarding the examination of a gun found in the possession of Harry Copeland, a subject of this file who was recently apprehended at Chicago.

It will be noted in my first report in this case that Copeland possibly took an active part in the shooting at the Sheriff's Office at Lima. In this connection reference is made to laboratory report dated October 28, 1933, setting out the result of the examination made of the specimens in question. It will also be observed that the bullets were retained in the laboratory.

In view of the request of the Prosecuting Attorney it is respectfully requested that the Division forward these specimens to the Police Department at Chicago.

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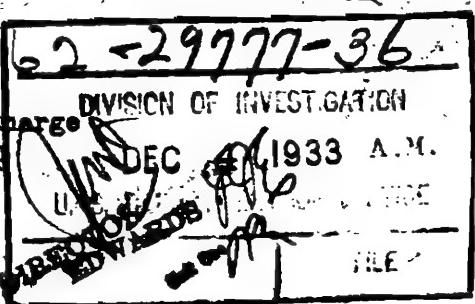
Very truly yours,

Wm. Larson
Special Agent in Charge
Acting Director

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PROSECUTING ATTORNEY
ALLEN COUNTY
TOLEDO, OHIO

DECEMBER 12, 1933

F. B. I. Bureau of Investigation,
Department of Justice,
625 Lafayette Building,
Detroit, Michigan.

ATTACHMENT: Mr. William Laramore,
Special Agent in Charge

My Dear Sir:

The Police Department of Chicago has requested
that we forward the bullets found at the jail here at the
time of the jail delivery.

We have the laboratory report which you forwarded
to me on November 1nd. I wonder if these bullets are
available yet so they may be sent to the Chicago police
department. If so, will you kindly have them forwarded
to William Shumber, Chief of Detectives, Police Dept.
of Chicago, Illinois.

We are sending them a copy of the laboratory
report in the hope that it will answer their purpose.

The Police Department of Chicago desire these
bullets to compare with the gun taken from Harry Copeland
at the time of his arrest.

Very truly yours,
F. B. I. Bureau
Prosecuting Attorney
Allen County, Ohio

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Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
1000 Dearborn Building,
Chicago, Illinois.

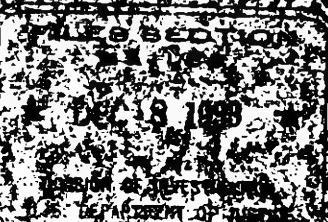
Dear Sir:

In accordance with the request of the Detroit office in
the case of HARRY FISCHOFF et al., alias, National Auto
Vehicle Theft - Member of Sheriff Young's Squad, Toledo, Ohio,
there are being transmitted under separate cover by registered mail
the bullets forwarded to this office by the Detroit office.

In accordance with the letter of the Detroit office dated
December 8, 1933, these may be delivered to the Toledo Police De-
partment for comparison with the gun taken from Harry Fischoff.
The Detroit office should advise the Prosecuting Attorney when this
has been done.

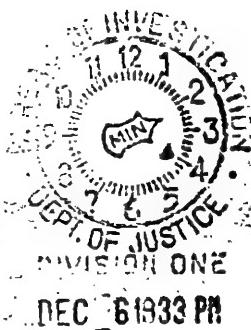
Very truly yours,
For the Director

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U. S. Department of Justice
Bureau of Investigation
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Kansas City, Missouri
December 4, 1933



Director
Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

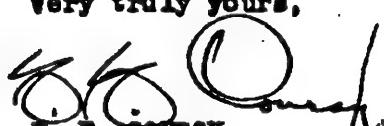
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With reference to your letter, dated November 23, 1933, Warden Robert Hudspeth, U. S. Penitentiary Annex, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, was requested to notify the Kansas City Division office when [REDACTED] U. S. Penitentiary Annex, would be returned to Indiana to testify in a perjury case. The Warden advises that he has received no request, as yet, to produce [REDACTED] in Court in Indiana and when such request is received he will promptly notify the Kansas City Division office.

The records of the penitentiary reflect that Convict [REDACTED] minimum term expires January 17, 1935, he having lost all his good time due to being returned to this institution for parole violation on March 29, 1933.

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Very truly yours,


E. E. CONROY,
Special Agent in Charge.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

DEC 7 1933 A.M.

RE: MURDER OF SHERIFF JESSE SARBER AT JUSTICE
CLIMA, OHIO, OCTOBER 12, 1933.

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FILE

The Division's file in this case indicates that on October 14, 1933, Mr. Brabner Smith of Mr. Keenan's office called Mr. Hughes by telephone and stated that he was in receipt of a telegram from a Sheriff in Ohio asking the assistance of this Division in the investigation of the shooting of the Sheriff at Lima. Mr. Smith stated that he had talked with Mr. Parrish who felt that it would be a good idea to have an Agent contact the Ohio people and make an offer of cooperation, and perhaps accomplish something in the way of fingerprint identification. Mr. Hughes advised Mr. Smith that inasmuch as the case was entirely without the jurisdiction of the Division it should be submitted by him to the Director in writing. Accordingly, on October 14th Mr. Smith directed a memorandum to this Division advising that he had just received a telegram from Congressman Frank L. Kloeb of Ohio, requesting that the Federal Government lend every available resource to aid in the search for the killers. Upon receipt of this memorandum Mr. Hughes conferred with Mr. Parrish, who suggested that an Agent of this Division contact Congressman Kloeb and volunteer to cooperate to a limited extent with the authorities of Allen County, Ohio, in their efforts to identify and apprehend the killers of Jesse Sarber. Mr. Hughes then called the Detroit Office and advised Mr. Larson of the telegram received from Congressman Kloeb, and requested that he communicate with the Allen County authorities and offer such cooperation as might be practicable in the way of identifying latent fingerprints or forwarding the fingerprints of any convicts who were suspected of this crime.

The Division is now in receipt of a letter from the Detroit Office, dated October 20, 1933, in which Mr. Larson states that he and Special Agent (A) Genau, in compliance with the telephonic request of Mr. Hughes, proceeded to Lima, Ohio on the afternoon of October 14th and went into conference with Prosecuting Attorney Ernest M. Botkins, Chief of Police J. W. Cook, Inspector of Police B. J. Rooney and two detectives who were engaged in the investigation, and also interviewed Mrs. Sarber, the Sheriff's wife; that they determined that at about 6 P.M. on October 12, 1933 three men entered the Sheriff's Office stating that they were from the Indiana State Prison and came to get John Dillinger, who was a parole from that institution, Dillinger being at that time incarcerated in the prison. The Sheriff asked the man who was doing the talking for his credentials and simultaneously this individual pulled a gun and advised the Sheriff that that was his authority. It appears that the

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Sheriff evidently made a move to reach for his gun and as he did so the slayer fired a bullet through the Sheriff's abdomen and then jumped upon the Sheriff and began beating him on the head with the butt of the pistol. The Sheriff fell helpless to the floor and died about two hours later. The second man then asked Deputy Sheriff Sharp for the keys and Mrs. Farber, who was also seated in the room during the time of the shooting, handed them to the criminals. Following the escape it was learned that two pistols had been stolen from the Sheriff's desk by the killers. One was a 38 Police Special nickel plated Colt #557614-N. On the handle of this gun was stamped "Property Allen County Sheriff". The second gun was a 38 Colt, Detective Special Blued Steel, 2" barrel, #410172-A-1. This gun belonged to the Sheriff. The other was the property of Deputy Sheriff Sharp.

It appears that while Dillinger was incarcerated in the jail he had made statements to other prisoners, mentioning the name of Harry Pierpont, indicating that Pierpont was an escape from the Indiana State Prison and that his home was near Lima. A check of the records indicated that Harry Pierpont was one of the convicts who escaped from the Indiana State Prison at Michigan City, Indiana on September 26, 1933. A photograph of Pierpont was secured and when shown to Mrs. Farber she partially identified it as the man who shot the Sheriff. A posse was immediately formed by Chief of Police J. W. Cook of Lima, Ohio and a search made of the premises occupied by Harry Pierpont's parents and brother, about four miles from Leipsic and about 35 miles from Lima. This search took place about 10 P.M. on the night of the slaying, October 12, 1933. No trace of the bandits was found by the posse, which reported that there was nothing on the property of the Pierpont's to indicate that the killers were in that vicinity. However, an Oldsmobile coach, Motor #L13694, bearing no license plates, was found in the Pierpont barn. Fred Pierpont, brother of the convict, made a number of conflicting statements to the police officers concerning this car. Police officers later determined, however, that an automobile answering the description of the Oldsmobile had been seen in the vicinity of St. Marys, Ohio on October 3, 1933 at which time a bank at St. Marys was robbed. Investigation by the police disclosed that this car was sold to one Arthur S. Cherrington, 2318 Sunnyside Avenue, Chicago. Fred Pierpont later identified the photograph of Cherrington as being the individual who left this car at his place, Cherrington being also known as Harry Copeland, who was a parole violator from the Indiana State Prison and who was also wanted in the hold-up of the Daleville Bank, Daleville, Indiana. Deputy Sheriff W. L. Sharp, who was in the Sheriff's office at the time of the shooting, partially identified the photograph of Copeland as the man who held the gun on him. He also partially identified the photograph of Harry Pierpont as the man who shot the Sheriff.

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Fred Pierpont had repeatedly denied to local authorities that he knew anything about the whereabouts or activities of his brother Harry. Special Agent in Charge Larson and Special Agent (A) Genau, after interrogating Fred Pierpont for a considerable length of time, succeeded in obtaining information from him to the effect that shortly after the escape of the ten convicts from the Indiana State Prison on September 26, 1933 his brother, one of the convicts, and four other men, three of whom were also escapes, and Harry Copeland, a parole from the Indiana State Prison, appeared at his home late one night, visited the family for a short time and departed; that Harry Pierpont at the time of this visit told him that he had an Oldsmobile automobile and that he would give it to Fred if he would call for it at Hamilton, Ohio at 1052 South Second Avenue. Within the course of the next two or three days Fred stated that he, his mother, father and grandmother, drove to Hamilton in the family automobile, and that after separating from the other members of the family he proceeded to the above address for the purpose of obtaining the Oldsmobile; that upon his arrival at Hamilton his brother informed him that the bill of sale on the car had not arrived from Chicago, where the car was purchased, but that if he, Fred, would remain there until the next day he could obtain same; that he stayed there that night with his brother, Harry Pierpont, Indiana State Prison #11014, Russell Clark, Indiana State Prison #11261, Charles Makley, Indiana State Prison #12636, Edward Shouse, Indiana State Prison #13915, and Harry Copeland, Indiana State Prison #12231; that on the morning of October 3rd his brother Harry told him that the gang was going away for the day and that they would be back in the evening with the Oldsmobile car; that the above mentioned individuals did return that evening, at which time he obtained the car. On October 3, 1933 a bank robbery took place at St. Marys, Ohio, at which time an Oldsmobile automobile was seen.

Fred Stated further that on Wednesday evening, October 11, 1933, the above named five individuals again came to his home at Leipsic late at night and stated that they desired to remain there overnight; that they were driving two automobiles, an Essex coach and a Chrysler sedan; that on the following day, October 12, 1933, which was the day the Sheriff was murdered, they all departed in the two cars. It takes about one hour to drive from Leipsic to Lima and the murder took place at 6 P.M. This evidence, together with the identification made by Mrs. Sarber, the Sheriff's wife, and Deputy Sheriff W. L. Sharp, indicates rather definitely that the five above named men committed the crime and effected the escape of John Dillinger.

Fred Pierpont, during the interview with these Agents, identified the photographs of the above mentioned individuals as being the parties who stayed at the home of his parents on the night of October 11, 1933. Fred Pierpont is at the present time being held by authorities, pending further investigation.

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Following a statement made by Fred, his mother, who had previously denied any knowledge of ever having seen her son since his escape, corroborated her son's statement about the convicts being at her home. Investigation by local authorities at Hamilton, Ohio indicates that the mob left there on October 13th.

The bullets found in the Sheriff's Office have been received by the Division and have been sent to Mr. Appel for the purpose of an examination.

Respectfully,

S.P. Cowley
S. P. Cowley.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT Detroit, Michigan.

St. Louis

FILE NO. 26-4108

REPORT MADE AT:	DATE WHEN MADE:	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE:	REPORT MADE BY:
St. Louis, Missouri	20-3-39	2-1-39	HARRY PINKERTON
			HARRY PINKERTON, alias Frank Morris
			RUSSEL LEE CLARK, alias Bo Lee
			CHARLES MALEY, alias Mack Morris
			CHARLES CHARLES MORRIS
			EDWARD SHOUSE, JOHN HAMILTON, alias Jack Campbell
			HARRY COPELAND, JOHN MELLINGER
SYNOPSIS - FACTS:		<p>No indication of Walter Petrich having been in St. Louis, Mo., since 1930, when he is alleged to have committed a pay-tell robbery. Petrich wanted by St. Louis Police and both local police department and Pinkerton Detectives are seeking his apprehension.</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p>	
REFERENCE:		<p>Report of Special Agent in Charge William Larson, Detroit, Michigan, November 14, 1938.</p>	
DETAILS:		<p><u>AT ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI.</u></p> <p>The residence address of Mrs. John Petrich, known change of spelling of family name) and Eddie Petrich, mother and Sister respectively of Walter Petrich, was verified.</p> <p>Mrs. Petrich is a widow and does not talk to anyone who goes out to inquire about her son and if any information was received he would communicate with the St. Louis Office.</p> <p>Eddie Petrich, sister of Walter Petrich, is employed as a stenographer by the General Electric Company, Pierce Ridge, 118 North 4th street, St. Louis, Missouri.</p> <p>Perr Mitchell, ex-wife of Petrich, has been interviewed on several occasions by Agents of the St. Louis Office, with reference to the whereabouts of John Hinckley, with aliases - fugitive, L-40, #1172. She is a close friend of Petrich, but not close enough. She was also interviewed by an Agent of the St. Louis Office concerning the escape of Hinckley from the Indian Territory, at which time she denied any knowledge of the whereabouts of either Hinckley or Petrich, stating that in January,</p>	
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1933 she had visited Detrich at the Indiana Penitentiary, and at this time they had agreed to "call it quits." She further stated that since the escape of Walter Detrich from the Indiana State Penitentiary, she has had close association with Detrich; she had been questioned on several occasions by local detectives and had also spent a part of the night of October 4, 1933 in the 3rd Precinct Jail, but that on each occasion she stated that she did not know the whereabouts of Detrich. The last interview with Fern Mitchell was on October 15, 1933, at which time she was residing at the Lincoln Hotel, 2225 Olive Street, St. Louis, Missouri.

Lieutenant John Wren of the 2nd Precinct Burglary Division, St. Louis Police Department, is personally acquainted with Detrich, having arrested him on several occasions prior to the year 1933. Upon interview Lieutenant Wren stated that Detrich had been in St. Louis since the early 1930's, when he participated in the robbery of the safekeeper of Proctor & Gamble Soap Company, which resulted in a loss of \$10,000.00; that Detrich is now wanted in St. Louis on this charge and the local police department had failed a detainer at the Indiana Penitentiary; that subsequent to the escape of Walter Detrich, both the Police Department and the local branch office of the Pinkerton Detective Agency had made inquiries to ascertain if Detrich had returned to St. Louis, but that there were no indications that he had returned to this city, and possibly he will not return, due to the fact that he is well known to practically all of the officers of the St. Louis Police Department.

Lieutenant Wren further stated that upon receipt of the information concerning the escape of Detrich, an investigation was made by himself in St. Louis of the addresses mentioned in the reference report, but that said investigation was without results, although he and other officers of the department will continue their watch in St. Louis and arrest Detrich on sight; that on several occasions he has interviewed Fern Mitchell, but without results, and that it is his opinion that she will disclose no information concerning Detrich or any of her friends; that that the Lincoln Hotel, where she resides, is a place where no observations can be ascertained from the proprietor.

Agent William J. Dunn, 20th Street, 18th Street, and determined that this property is now vacant. Inquiry of the carrier at the United Post Substation of the Post Office Department had furnished information from this address over a year ago and left no forwarding address. The carrier was unable to provide any information concerning McDonald's history or connections. Inquiries were also made of Detective Wren and other detectives of the Police Department, but they did not recall McDonald as being an associate of Detrich. Inquiries were also made at the Identification Bureau of the St. Louis Police Department, but they have no record of McDonald.

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Previous investigation by the Bureau in the case of John Klutas, with aliases, Fugitive, 7-18-4179, National Motor Vehicle Theft Act, and K. L. Hollis, with aliases, Fugitive, National Motor Vehicle Theft Act, has disclosed that Klutas, Hollis, Detrich, and James Clark, alias Turner Wilson are well known in Galesburg, Illinois, where they formerly congregated at the Arlington Hotel. This hotel is operated by two brothers named Thompson, and is located almost opposite the office of the special agents of the C. I. A. at Galesburg, and these special agents have been watching the hotel for the appearance of Klutas and his associates. Detrich, Klutas and their associates are also known to Sheriff Louis Wilson of Galesburg, Illinois, and on the occasion of Agent's last visit to Galesburg, Sheriff Wilson advised that upon receipt of information concerning the escape of Detrich, he immediately arranged for an informant to keep a close watch on the Arlington Hotel, thinking that possibly Detrich and his associates would return to the Arlington Hotel and hide out until things cooled off a bit; that this informant has been continuing his scrutiny of the hotel but that neither Detrich nor any of his associates have appeared in Galesburg.

Investigative Reports in the John Klutas, with aliases, Fugitive file disclose that Detrich on one occasion appeared in East St. Louis with Klutas and traded a stolen automobile to L. J. Hollins, which would indicate the close connection between these two men.

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625 Lafayette Bldg.
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December 12 1933

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Director
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U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.



Re: HARRY PIERPONT with aliases, et al.
Nat'l Motor Vehicle Theft Act

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Division communication dated November 24, 1933 requesting to be advised the details surrounding the apprehension of Subject Harry Copeland on November 20 at Chicago, Illinois.

I have communicated with the Chief of Police at Lima, Ohio who has advised that he is unable to furnish any particular details concerning the arrest of Copeland in Chicago except that he was taken into custody in that city presumably on November 20 and removed to the Indiana State Penitentiary at Michigan City, Indiana from which institution he was a parole violator; that he will be incarcerated there pending his removal to Lima for trial in connection with the murder of Sheriff Jesse Barber at Lima, Ohio on October 12, 1933. It will be noted in previous communications that Copeland, together with other associates, has been indicted at Lima in connection with the above crime.

In view of the meager information in possession of the authorities at Lima, it is suggested that the Chicago office secure the necessary details concerning the arrest and incarceration of Copeland at Chicago and Michigan City, Indiana.

Very truly yours,

Wm. Larson
Special Agent in Charge

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825 Lafayette Building,
Detroit, Michigan,
December 15, 1933.

ADMISSION ONE

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HARRY PIERRETTI

MAIL MOTOR VAC

Dear Sirs:

When this information is re-
ceived we will communicate with you further.

I desire to take this opportunity to thank
you kindly for the very excellent cooperation extended
to this Division and want you to know that your kind
assistance is deeply appreciated.

Very truly yours,
John J. Murphy
Special Agent in Charge

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Jesse T. Kennedy,
655 South Wells Street,
Chicago, Ill.

Nov. 22, 1933. Wabash 0260.

Dear President Roosevelt: You have shown the proper spirit in welcoming adverse criticism and suggestions from the rank and file - may I impose upon you again?

The attached clipping is a report of the 21st. of a bank robbery in Wisconsin at the hands of convicts that escaped from Indiana. Here is where the federal government can legally take action for the crimes of these men embrace inter state affairs.

I suggest that the Department of Justice notify the governors and sheriffs of the state surrounding Lake Michigan to move at a given moment to search every building, each sheriff's force to be increased in sufficient numbers to visit every house in his jurisdiction - these orders should be relayed thru the Governor, of course. The governors would be asked to patrol the highways for a day and scrutinize and question men traveling out of the zone agreed upon. In this way it is almost certain that these and other criminals sought will be picked up. Respectfully,

/s/ Jesse F. Kennedy

NOTE Complete description of the men wanted to go with the notices to sheriffs, of course.

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Mr. Jesse T. Kennedy,
655 South Wells Street,
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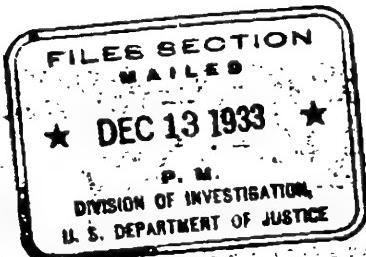
Dear Sirs:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated November 22, 1933, by reference from the Secretary to the President, wherein you suggest a plan whereby escaped convicts can be apprehended.

Please be advised that your suggestions have been noted and your interest in forwarding them is appreciated.

Very truly yours,

Director.



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December 14, 1933.

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Federal Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Madison Building, Washington,
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Dear Sirs:

We have received, with others, at the
Indiana State Police Station here,
Number 150 South Illinois Street,
Indianapolis, Indiana,

On December 10, 1933 received at the Division from Capt. E. L. Brown, Captain in Charge, Indiana State Police, Indianapolis, Indiana, wherein it is stated that subjects Harry Blaylock, Charles Johnson, Russell W. Clark and Harry Copeland of the above mentioned cars have been identified as occupants of a Chrysler Sedan which was stopped at Peru, Indiana. It appears that this car was stolen at Chicago, Illinois.

You are instructed to interview Mr. Brown and obtain from him all of the information he has in his possession concerning the theft of this car and to get any corroborative leads with reference thereto.

A copy of this memo is being directed to the Chicago office so that subject Copeland, who is reported to have been apprehended in Chicago and is now being held in custody at the Indiana State Police, Indianapolis City, Indiana, can be interviewed in reference to the theft of this car.

It is desired that investigation in this case be expedited and have the Division do their part in all cases as to the developments.

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Mr. H. P. Young, Director,
Indiana State Police,
State House,
Indianapolis, Indiana.

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Dear Mr. Young:

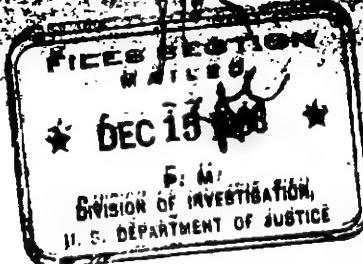
This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated December 3, 1933, signed by Ruth Leach, Captain in Charge, wherein you report that the Chrysler Sedan, which was abandoned at Evans, Indiana, has been traced and found to have been stolen at Chicago, Illinois; that Charles Fakley, Harry Piercy, Harold R. Clark and Harry Copeland have been identified as the four men who were driving this car at the time it broke down; and further that Copeland was apprehended in Chicago and is now being held in custody at the Indiana State Prison, Michigan City, Indiana.

In accordance with your desire, the Chicago Office of this Division has been instructed to have a Special Agent interview Copeland at the Indiana State Prison with reference to this matter.

Thanking you for your cooperation in this and other instances, I am

Sincerely yours,
J. Edgar Hoover

Director,



U. S. Bureau of Investigation

Department of Justice
1900 Bankers Building,
Chicago, Illinois.

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Mr. Tolson	—
Mr. Clegg	—
Mr. Edwards	—
Mr. Egan	—
Mr. Hughes	✓
Mr. Quinn	—
Mr. Lester	—
Mr. Locke	—

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December 19, 1933.

Director,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

On Saturday morning, December 16th, I attended a conference at the office of Mr. Courtney, the State's Attorney for Cook County, Illinois. This conference included Commissioner of Police Allman, Chief of Detectives Schoemaker, Captain Zimmer, Captain Gilbert, Sheriff Meyering, and other Precinct Captains of Police.

Mr. Courtney stated that the purpose of the meeting was to begin a concentrated effort in order to bring about the apprehension of the so-called Dillinger gang, which escaped from the Indiana State Prison recently, and also in an effort to bring about the apprehension of the members of the Touhy gang, involved in the Factor Case, who still remain at large. He stated that he had secured the cooperation of the various members of the press, in order to have photographs of these Subjects promulgated over the country, and that he believed that good results would be obtained by reason of this action.

During Mr. Courtney's talk to the entire group he stated that his office and the Chicago Office of the Division of Investigation had been cooperating in an extremely excellent fashion at all times and that he desired that all other agencies cooperate with his and my office in bringing about the apprehension of those wanted. He expressed to all of those present, also, that it was his opinion that the work done by the Chicago Office was exceptionally good and that the Division of Investigation should be commended for its efforts in law enforcement. Mr. Courtney added, toward the latter part of his talk, that each person must have confidence in the other in order to bring about the desired results.

As a result of this meeting, Lieutenant Howe has been placed in charge of a squad of men to work entirely on these matters. He will have a separate office in the Police Station at Chicago and will act as a central clearing house for all information received by any officers or other law enforcement agencies. Mr. Courtney determined that this should be done in order to prevent two different groups of officers from working on the same information at the same time and thereby causing a conflict.

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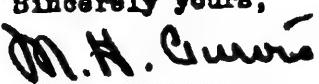
At the end of his talk Mr. Courtney requested any remarks that I might care to add and I stated that I believed that the entire subject had been covered by him entirely and in an excellent manner, and that little could be added except that I believed he should be commended for the stand he is taking and has taken in the past.

This office will, therefore, continue to furnish all information in connection with the Factor Case, and other like matters, to the State's Attorney's Office and to Lieutenant Howe, in order that the best possible results might be obtained.

Subsequent to the meeting and after the others had left, Mr. Courtney mentioned to me the fact that he appreciated your bringing the matter with regard to Captain Gilbert out in the open, so to say, and he stated to me that he had understood fairly recently that I was not friendly to Captain Dan Gilbert, and that I was somewhat suspicious of him. I informed Mr. Courtney that I was, of course, rather surprised to hear of anything of this kind, particularly in view of the fact that this office has done everything possible to bring about the results desired by the State's Attorney's Office. I informed Mr. Courtney that I did not dislike Captain Gilbert and that I was not suspicious of him. I informed him that in view of the fact that the matter had arisen, that I believed it would be highly desirable to call Captain Gilbert in, in order that the matter could be definitely straightened out at that time. This was done and after a friendly discussion with these two, I believe they now understand that I have no feeling against Captain Gilbert.

I have instructed Special Agents Newman and Ryan to continue their efforts in the Factor Case with all possible despatch and to cooperate with Lieutenant Howe and the State's Attorney's Office in every respect.

I will keep you advised of any further developments in this case.

Sincerely yours,

M. H. PURVIS,
Special Agent in Charge.

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UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **DETROIT, MICH.**

FILE NO. **20-5567**

REPORT MADE AT Chicago, Ill.	DATE WHEN MADE 12/21/33	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 12/15/33	REPORT MADE BY W. H. DUNN
HARRY PIERPOINT, aka aliases, etc.		NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE TRUCK AND MOTOR CYCLE SHREWD (THIEF) CARRIER, LIMA, OHIO; ESCAPES FROM INDIANA STATE PENITENTIARY	

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Police Department, Toledo, Ohio, received information from Columbus, Ohio, police that subjects might be about Wolf Lake, Ind. Investigation thus far shows no indication of presence of subjects.

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Report of Special Agent C. J. Devereux, Columbus, November 21, 1933.

DETAILS: A letter received by the Chief of Police at South Bend, Indiana from J. F. Hamlin, Chief of Police at Columbus, Ohio, dated December 2, 1933, was shown to agent by Captain E. H. Hamilton of the Detective Bureau, South Bend, Indiana, police department as containing information regarding the subjects of this case, especially those subjects who had escaped from the Indiana State Penitentiary, Michigan City, Indiana.

The letter stated in substance that the Columbus, Ohio, police had received information from a convict in the Ohio State Penitentiary who had been sentenced to prison with Milligan, Pierpoint and Copeland to the effect that the persons who had figured in the Indiana Penitentiary prison break were spending considerable time at Wolf Lake, Indiana, dividing their time between Wolf Lake and Chicago, Illinois; that they had also been visiting Munice and Seymour, Indiana, and also spending some time at Indianapolis, Indiana. This person is known to have been a member of the gangers who had served time in the Indiana State Penitentiary at Michigan City, Indiana, who are acquainted with the prison system. The informant, according to the letter, did not know the other members of the gang.

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Still in prison or not.

Agent ascertained that Wolf Lake is a small town located on State Highway #8, northwest of Fort Wayne, Indiana, and in Noble County, Indiana. Agent in company with Indiana State Troopers Frank Brugner and Anaker, interviewed Sheriff William Hoffman and his deputy, E. Wagner at Albion, county seat of Noble County and these men stated that they had received no information of any suspicious characters around Wolf Lake. They stated that one [redacted] in Wolf Lake would be a trustworthy person from whom to get information.

Agent and the Troopers interviewed [redacted] of Wolf Lake and he stated that there had been no suspicious persons around the town. Wolf Lake has a population of about 100 persons and the lake from which the town derives its name is but a small stagnant pond with no living quarters near by.

Agent and the Troopers visited Bear Lake, Big Lake and Fox Lake, three resort lakes in Noble County and in the vicinity of the town of Wolf Lake, and drove through all the resort roads making an inspection of all cottages from the outside for signs of persons living in the same. However, the cottages around the lakes did not appear to be inhabited and there was no indication that any of the subjects were around or living about the lakes.

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Agent, while conducting investigation in the case of [redacted] with alias et al., National Motor Vehicle Theft Act., Chicago File No. 5615, received the following information from [redacted] as present in the county jail at South Bend, Indiana, on the above entitled charge. [redacted] stated that while he was serving time at the Indiana State Reformatory at Pendleton, Indiana, he made the acquaintance of John Dillinger who was then in the Reformatory. He stated that afterwards, while he, [redacted] was in the county jail at La Grange, Indiana, in October 1933, Dillinger climbed up to the roof of a porch below the cell window where [redacted] was, and asked him if he wanted to get out. [redacted] did not want to get out at that time, although later in the month he and his two brothers did escape from the jail. [redacted] stated that if he were on the outside now he would try this to get in touch with Dillinger, starting in one interview that Dillinger was on the northwest side of Chicago, Illinois. He could not tell agent the neighborhood or the address where Dillinger might be, merely stating that he would be found if he went on the northwest side of Chicago and taken to where Dillinger was. In a later interview agent was informed by [redacted] that one [redacted] Indiana, had also served time at Pendleton Reformatory when Dillinger and [redacted] were there, and that he knew that Dillinger would keep in touch with [redacted].

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Agents ascertained at the South Bend, Indiana, police headquarters that one [REDACTED] was sentenced on March 14, 1924, to serve from 10 to 30 years at Pendleton Reformatory for robbery, and that he was paroled on July 16, 1929. Inquiry of Captain E. M. Hamilton of the South Bend police revealed that [REDACTED] has not been seen about South Bend and the police do not know where he lives.

UNDEVELOPED LEAD: Chicago, Ill. At Gary, Ind., will ascertain the identity of the person or persons having Box 123 at Gary, Ind.

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to locate the whereabouts of [REDACTED] Alton, Ill., Ind. will make further inquiry for the purpose of ascertaining whether he is keeping in touch with John Dillinger.

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OFFICE OR CHARGE		NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT	
HARRY PI REPORT, with aliases;		NUMBER OF SHIRLEY J. WISE-BARTER,	
HARRY DOPELAND, alias JOHN MARTIN, W. 113 S.		LIMA, OHIO, ESCAPED FROM INDIANA	
		STATE PRISON.	
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<p>DETROIT OFFICE</p> <p>REFERENCE: Letter from Detroit Office dated December 12, 1933.</p> <p>DETAILS:</p> <p>HARRY DOPELAND, under the alias of John Martin, residing at 113 South Madison Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, on November 16, 1933, at about 7:30 P.M., was arrested at Marlow and North Avenue, in a suburb of Chicago, by Chicago Police Officers McGrade, Lavelle and Ryan of the Detective Bureau.</p> <p>On November 16, 1933, Warden L. G. Condie of the Indiana State Prison, Michigan City, Indiana, called for Subject DopeLand and returned him to the Indiana State Prison, Michigan City, as a parole violator to be held there awaiting removal to the State of Ohio in connection with the murder of Sheriff George Barber.</p>			
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U. S. Bureau of Investigation

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December 28
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Director
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U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Re: HARRY PIERPONT, with aliases, et al.
National Motor Vehicle Theft Act
Murder of Sheriff Jesse Sarber, Lima, Ohio
Escapes from Indiana State Prison

Dear Sir:

There are being transmitted herewith clippings taken from the Chicago Daily Tribune, dated December 21, 1933, and the Lima News, dated December 20, 1933, showing the apprehension of Subject Edward Shouse at Paris, Illinois, on December 20. It will be noted that Subject Shouse was one of the individuals who was involved in the slaying of Sheriff Sarber at Lima, Ohio, during the escape of John Dillinger.

Clippings from the Cleveland Plain Dealer and the Lima News are also being inclosed herewith showing action by the Chicago police in attempting to apprehend John Dillinger and other Subjects who are alleged to be residing in that city.

Information has also reached this office to the effect that John Hamilton, another one of these Subjects who escaped from the Indiana State Penitentiary and who also took part in the slaying of Jesse Sarber recently shot and killed a Chicago police sergeant in escaping a trap set in a Chicago garage.

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Very truly yours,

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Indiana Patrolman Falls
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Second Member Of Dillinger
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Cloudy with
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Weather Report on Page 21.

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POLICE RAID APARTMENT AFTER TIP

Victims Not of Gang That Shot Down Sheriff Sarber at Lima, but Are Escaped Convicts.

20 PICKED MARKSMEN FORM RAIDING SQUAD

Shots Greet Detail, Which Then Rakes Ornate Suite; Trio in Pile in Corner.

CHICAGO, Dec. 11.—Three escaped convicts were killed tonight in a fashionable apartment here with a withering barrage of bullets laid down by twenty police marksmen.

The police detail, led by Capt. John Stage, had a tip that the men to be found in the apartment were members of the notorious Dillinger band of outlaws which is wanted for a long list of crimes in Indiana, Ohio and Illinois. Chief on this list is the slaying of Sheriff Jess L. Sarber at Lima, O., in delivering Dillinger from the jail there.

The convicts slain were Illinois men in no wise connected with the band of escaped Indiana felons which are headed by Dillinger and believed to be hiding in Chicago.

The slain men were identified as:

LEWIS KATZKOWITZ of St. Paul, Minn., and by Police Detective John Anderson to whom they were known under the name of the Illinois State Penitentiary; CHARLES FRAZER, alias Frank Morris, who was reported to be at present in the state prison of Illinois; and CHARLES THOMAS, alias Tom Morris, the condemned inmate of the

their machine guns and sailed into place with a round of shots. Keeping up the rapid fire, the patrolmen, instructed to "shoot and shoot to kill," stormed the barricaded door. As they advanced into the apartment, the guns from within were silent.

The detail found three bodies, crumpled on the floor of the ornate suite.

The report flashed in to the Rogers Park Police Station on the far North Side just in this cryptic fashion: "Piled up in a corner of the parlor were three men; all were dead. They had been struck several times each."

None of the raiding policemen was injured.

In Tenky's Ballroom

While throngs of startled residents gathered in the quiet street outside, Capt. Stage searched the residence and announced he had twenty bullet-proof vests, three machine guns, half a dozen shotguns and a full supply of pistols and ammunition.

Dillinger was alleged to have engineered the escape of eleven convicts from the Indiana State Prison at Michigan City and his delivery from the Lima jail was by the fugitives returning a favor.

Police Invade Theater

A few minutes after the shooting a half dozen squads of detectives were rushed to the Uptown Theater, a motion picture house in the same district on information that a fourth member of the gang and a woman were within.

Several thousand patrons were in the place when the police with leveled pistols charged into the theater and took up positions barring all entrances.

Thousands of persons began gathering around the theater which was located in the heart of what is known as the "Uptown District."

Police apparently intended to subject each patron to intense scrutiny.

Raided Two Police Stations

Dillinger had been, in recent months, one of the most sought men in the country. Shortly after his gang had escaped from the Indiana prison they went to Lima, O., appearing at the jail there on Oct. 11. Dillinger was in a position to charge a holding up of the Bluffton (O.) bank. Sheriff Sarber was seized and shot to death and the fugitive felons went back into the jail and liberated him.

Immediately the gang set off on a tour of depredation across Ohio, Indiana and Illinois—looting banks, even raiding two Indiana small city police stations to fasten their arms. Dillinger came to Chicago about two months ago and police soon learned his whereabouts. Armed by Indiana state patrolmen, they set an elaborate trap about a North Side building.

Dillinger walked out, accompanied by two girls, leaped into an automobile and, while one of his female companions kept up a constant stream of fire at their pursuers, over a careening flight through traffic, managed to elude the squad.

Policeman Is Slain

Next police learned that he had taken a car to a North Side garage for repairs and Sgt. William Shanley was ordered to the place to apprehend him.

Instead of Dillinger, John Hammie, another member of the gang, appeared and when Shanley sought to question him he shot the officer to death.

Yesterday Indiana police learned that Edward Shouse, another member of the gang, was at Paris, Ill. One of their group, Eugene Teague of Indianapolis, was slain in the resultant cross-fire but Shouse was arrested.

Among other crimes for which Dillinger and his henchmen were sought, officials said, are these:

\$21,000 holdup of the Massachusetts Avenue Bank at Indianapolis.

\$36,000 holdup of the New Capital (O.) Bank.

\$24,000 holdup of the Farwell (O.) Bank.

\$5,500 holdup of the Bluffton (O.) Bank, for which Dillinger was held in jail at the time of his delivery.

\$8,000 holdup of the Belleville (Ill.) Commercial Bank.

\$12,000 holder of the Montezuma (Iowa) National Bank.

\$27,000 holder of the American Bank & Trust Co. at Racine, Wis.

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NEWS

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EMBER 19, 1933

PRICE THREE CENTS

GANG

CHICAGO PUTS FIFTY MEN ON SPECIAL WORK

Ten Squads To Devote Entire Time In Roundup Of Barber Killers

CAPT. STEGE 18 LEADER

Bulletin Showing Pictures Of Indiana Convicts To Be Given To Patrolmen

Chicago police Tuesday, in their search for members of the merged Dillinger-Touhy gang, assumed the grim determination of Canadian Northwest Mounted police.

The command, "get your men," went out early Tuesday to police Capt. John Stege, who Monday night had been placed in charge of 10 police squads—50 men—who were assigned to devote their entire time to the capture of the desperadoes.

Aroused to a fighting pitch by last week's slaying of Detective Sergeant William T. Shanley by John Hamilton, one of the escaped Michigan City (Ind.) State Prison convicts, who Oct. 13 shot down Sheriff Joseph W. Morris and freed John Dillinger from Alcatraz jail, high Chicago officials said.

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605 Lafayette Building,
Detroit, Michigan,
December 20, 1933.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
1500 Franklin Street,
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir:

DETROIT PLATE, #124 Illinois, #124.
National Motor Nat. Draft Act, Number
of Sheriff James Carter, Akron, Ohio
bumped from Indiana State Penitentiary
Det. file #4-4758.

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During a recent inquiry at Cleveland, Ohio, concerning the above entitled matter, this office was informed by the police of that city that they had received information from the police at Chicago to the effect that some of the subjects in this case are alleged to have been in possession of an automobile bearing Ohio 1933 license plates No. 413617. Further inquiry in this respect developed that the above plates were issued to a [redacted] Cleveland, O., business address Sedan, motor No. 18042.

This office is at the present time conducting an extensive inquiry in Cleveland for the purpose of securing all information in connection with these license plates and also to determine if any of the members of the so-called John Dillinger gang are residing in the City of Cleveland.

It is requested that you determine from the Chicago police the source of their information concerning the above license plates and furnish this office any information which will be of value in conducting an investigation at Cleveland.

Very truly yours,

Mr. Larson,
Special Agent in Charge.

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626 Lafayette Building,
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I am,

Thanking you for your cooperation in this matter.

Very truly yours,

John L. Parsons,
Special Agent in Charge.

W.H.C.
cc Division
Jan 6 1934.
Re: John Willinger,
Harry Pierpoint,
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MEMORANDUM FOR FILE

BARTY FIREPOINT with aliases. He is National Motor Vehicle Theft suspect. Murder of Sheriff James Barker, Lima, O. Escape from Indiana State Penitentiary.

Detroit file #26-4200.

On Saturday, December 22, 1933, this agent was in Lima, Ohio. Interview was had with John V. Cook, Chief of Police, and Bernard Bonney, Chief of Detectives, with reference to any new developments in regard to this case. These officers advised that they had several days prior to that date received information from Chicago, Ill., to the effect that the Billinger gang was supposed to be using an automobile bearing 1933 Ohio license plates 613-617. They stated that they had made inquiries through the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, State of Ohio, and had that morning learned that this particular set of license plates had been issued to [redacted] residence address [redacted], Cleveland, Ohio, business address [redacted]. [redacted] Cleveland, Ohio, and that they had been issued for 1933 model Indian motor #10068. These officers requested that the Division conduct some inquiry at Cleveland to determine whether or not the license plates above mentioned had ever been reported stolen to the Police of Cleveland, and in the event they had not, to determine in what manner the Billinger gang had obtained possession of same.

b7C These officers were questioned regarding the capture of Copeland at Chicago, Ill., and they stated that they had not taken any part in his apprehension and had no information regarding the same. They advised, however, that they had interviewed Copeland at the Indiana State Penitentiary, Michigan City, Ind., but that they had been unable to obtain any information from him. Other facts stated to be his impression that the members of this gang are still hanging out in Chicago, Ill., can be stated that at the time he talked to Copeland, the latter advised him that he would have been able to live in Chicago for years without being captured if he had not had a certain and particular crew.

Several days prior to agent's trip to Lima, Division Office had appeared in the papers to the effect that a barber at Findlay, Ohio,

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had identified a picture of John Dillinger as a man who had visited his barber shop and for whom he had done some barber work. With reference to this matter, both Gandy Cook and Detective Kinney stated that they had interviewed this barber at Findlay, Ohio, that there was absolutely nothing to this story, it being merely a barber shop story.

An attempt was made while in Lima, Ohio, to interview Ernest N. Bottking, Prosecuting Attorney, Allen County. However, he was out of the city on the day of Agent's visit and was not expected to return until late the following afternoon. Agent desired to interview Mr. Bottking to determine what the plans were for prosecuting subjects of this case. In this respect, however, Gandy Cook advised that subject Copeland could not be prosecuted but would be left in the Indiana State Penitentiary until several other subjects had been apprehended, in order that they might be prosecuted at one time.

With reference to the information furnished by the officials at Lima, Ohio, regarding the Ohio license plates 818-617, a letter was despatched to Cleveland, Ohio, to have this matter checked in that city.

Very truly yours,

E. L. MURPHY,
Special Agent

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AT INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA

Captain Matt Leach, Indiana State Police, informed Special Agent J. E. Johnson, of this office, that Subjects Pierpon, Clark, Shouse and Makley abandoned a Chrysler Sedan, motor #CD 5101, which had been stolen from Dr. Ralph W. Trimmer, 715 Lake St., Oak Park, Ill., on 11-9-33 and was recovered after it had been abandoned at Avon, Indiana, 11-9-33. He advised this car was recovered by a garage man, whose name he was unable to furnish agent, at Avon, who had taken the car into his garage a short time previous to 11-9-33 for repairs. He advised that the photographs of the above named Subjects were shown to this garage man by members of his department and were identified by him. He also stated that shortly after the Subjects, before mentioned, left instant car at this garage, they hired one [REDACTED] a resident of Avon, to take them to Terre Haute, Indiana; that officers at Avon became suspicious and telephoned the Terre Haute Police, who watched the road leading into Terre Haute from Avon but when Subjects failed to appear they abandoned the watch and returned to Terre Haute. However, [REDACTED] drove very slowly from Avon into Terre Haute and the Terre Haute Police abandoned the watch on the highway too soon as Subjects are reported to have passed the point where they had been watching a few moments after the officers had left. Captain Leach was unable to furnish any further information at that time and stated that no success had been had in locating the Subjects at Terre Haute or in ascertaining where they went to after leaving.

AT READING, OHIO

Chief of Police Nate Hilderbrandt, Reading, was interviewed relative to the family and other relatives of Joseph Fox residing at Reading. He stated that Joseph Fox in his estimation is a very dangerous character and although he has been arrested on numerous occasions in Reading, Ohio, he, Mr. Hilderbrandt, has no record of such arrests, as none was of a serious nature. He further stated that he is well acquainted with members of the Fox family who reside at Reading. He then called in Officer John Benner, who is also very well acquainted with Joseph Fox and members of his family. Both Chief Hilderbrandt and Officer Benner stated they had closely watched members of the Fox family and are satisfied that Joseph Fox has not visited his home for the past six months. Officer Benner advised that Ray Fox is a brother of Joseph Fox and resides with his family at 808 Main St., Reading; that he is a member of the Reading Fire Department. Officer Benner stated he has often quietly questioned Ray concerning his brother, Joseph, and is reasonably certain that Joseph Fox is not in touch with members of his family. He stated that Joseph Fox's father is deceased, but that his mother, Mrs. Catherine Fox, resides at 808 Main St., and bears a very good reputation; that Harry Hawley is a brother-in-law, who now resides in Gipchester, Indiana; that Harry Hawley bears an excellent reputation and has no use whatsoever for the brother-in-law, Joseph Fox. Chief Hilderbrandt advised that Clear Lutz is a nephew of Joseph Fox, who now resides somewhere in Akron, Ohio, address unknown; that Clear Lutz is a young man of 19 or 20 years of age attending school in Akron and bears a very good reputation. They informed that Lucille Smoker, sister of Joseph Fox, is separated from her husband, Frank Smoker, and now resides with her people at 808 Main St., Reading. Both officers stated they believed if Joseph Fox contacts any member of his family he would contact Lucille Smoker, as they were very close while living at home and Mrs. Smoker, regardless of her brother's difficulties, is still very fond of him;

that they will carefully watch Mrs. Snicker's activities and immediately call the Cincinnati Division Office should she leave the city of Reading or if any other circumstances indicate that she may be in touch with her brother. They advised Mrs. Joseph Fox, wife of Joseph Fox, still resides at 8343 Woodbine Ave., Cincinnati, and is now keeping company with another man and has no use for her husband. Chief Hilderbrandt advised he has talked with Mrs. Joseph Fox on several occasions and she has always registered disgust for her husband.

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AT HAMILTON, OHIO

Details concerning the visit of at least four of the Subjects at Hamilton, Ohio, for a period of ten days prior to 10-15-33 are contained in the letter to the Division from the Cincinnati Office dated 10-28-33.

Chief of Police J. S. Calhoun, Hamilton, informed Agent on 11-28-33 that Mrs. John Ross, who resides on Ohio Highway #4, which is the main highway from Hamilton to Middletown, Ohio, had some important information to furnish. Agent and Chief Calhoun interviewed Mrs. Ross at her home and she advised that Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Hooten rented a small bungalow located next door to her home on the Middletown Pike approximately a week after 10-15-33; that the Hootens purchased new furniture and a great deal of new clothing and appeared to have a quantity of money; that they often sat in their house at night with the shades down and the lights out and appeared to be watching for someone; that numerous cars called at the Hootens' home, some of them bearing Indiana and Illinois license plates, numbers of which she was unable to recall. She stated the Hootens had an auction sale of their furniture and other belongings on the Wednesday preceding Thanksgiving and left her bungalow, after advising her they were going to the State of Washington where they intended to buy a small fruit farm; that when Mrs. Hooten left she paid her, Mrs. Ross, a debt amounting to \$20.00 in crisp new \$1.00 bills.

Chief Calhoun advised agent he had been unable to learn where the Hootens had gone and stated he is reasonably certain the Hootens are in touch with the Subjects wherever they might be. This fact is clearly evident from the letter from the Cincinnati Office to the Division dated 10-28-33.

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Chief of Police Calhoun later learned that Mr. and Mrs. Walter E. Clark had accompanied the Hootens when they left Hamilton.

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[REDACTED]

While in Hamilton, Ohio, on 12-24-33, Detective Bob Dinniddie of the Hamilton, Ohio, Police Department, advised that on the night before he had seen Mr. and Mrs. Hooten in a bear parlor located at 1895 Meaton St., Hamilton, that he noticed a salmon colored Chevrolet Sedan bearing Arizona license plates, 1934, #1HL5, in front of the place, and that Mr. and Mrs. Hooten were reported to have driven away in this car; that he questioned the proprietress of the parlor, who informed him Hooten had told her that they had returned from Arizona and were spending the holidays with their parents; that they had spent very liberally in her place. Dinniddie advised he drove by 1054 South 3rd St., and there noticed this car parked in front of that address.

Dinniddie went on to state that he is well acquainted with Mrs. Hooten, whose maiden name was Naomi Wagner; that Mrs. Hooten was at one time a paramour of Bob Ewick, a notorious Ohio outlaw, who has recently been sent to prison for life; that she has associated with numerous Ohio outlaws and that he understands she was once/intimate friend of Subject Harry Copeland; that Mr. Hooten was engaged in bootlegging in Hamilton previous to about 1-1-33.

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[REDACTED]

The license number of the Chevrolet bearing the Arizona license plates driven by the Hootens was furnished the Los Angeles Office which office advised that this car, a Chevrolet Coach, 1929 model, motor #986055, serial #9 AC 66274, was licensed at Phoenix, Arizona, by Leroy Hooten, giving his address as 1142 N. 25th St., Phoenix, Arizona, and was issued Arizona 1934 license #1HL5, and Arizona title #234094. Since the purpose of the Hootens' visit to Phoenix, Arizona, is unknown and since they have definitely been connected with the Billinger gang, it appears that investigation should be made at Phoenix, Arizona, to determine the reason for their trip to Phoenix.

Chief of Police Calhoun advised Mrs. Hooten has a sister residing either in or near Seven Mile, Ohio, which is a small town located seven miles North of Hamilton.

At Seven Mile, Ohio, agent ascertained from [REDACTED] that a Mrs. Ralph Hart resides with her husband on a farm about one and one-half miles North of Seven Mile, Ohio, on RR #2; that he knows Mrs. Hart and understands she is the sister to a Mrs. Hooten, who resides in Hamilton; that they are good people and Mr. Hart works at the Ford Plant in Hamilton. [REDACTED] who was interviewed and stated he knows the Hart family and understands Mrs. Hart has a

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b7C sister by the name of Mrs. Hooten in Hamilton; that a Chevrolet Coach, salmon color, with a trunk on the rear, had often been seen in front of Mrs. Hart's house previous to about a month ago but since that time he has not seen it. This is evidently the Hooten's Chevrolet. b7D [REDACTED] volume teered to keep the Hart home under surveillance and if strangers appeared or automobiles bearing foreign license tags were seen they would immediately notify the Cincinnati Division Office.

b7C Agent interviewed Deputy Sheriff W. A. Duerr, 1. C. Lincoln, and [REDACTED]

b7C b7D [REDACTED] It is believed that members of the Sheriff's Office at Hamilton, Ohio, are reliable and [REDACTED] is unquestionably a reliable source of information. From these persons the following was learned relative to persons in Hamilton who probably know the Subjects and assisted in harboring them while in that vicinity:

1054 South 2nd St.; at this address there resided [REDACTED] and Mr. George Wagner, parents of Mrs. Hooten. George Wagner has no criminal record in Hamilton, Ohio, but is known to associate with bootleggers and shady characters. Subjects are thought to have spent considerable time at this address while in Hamilton. Mr. and Mrs. Hooten are at present visiting their parents and will probably remain there until they are able to find a more suitable place to reside in Hamilton or leave the city. There is no telephone at this address.

Miss Dorothy Wagner, sister of Mrs. Hooten, said to be a young lady of about 19 years of age, also resides with her parents at this address.

1003 South Second St.; at this address Walter E. (Foots) Clark and his wife, Mrs. Edna Clark reside. Walter Clark and Subject Copeland are reported to have been partners at one time and are supposed to have been arrested in Middletown, Ohio, together about three years ago. Mrs. Clark and Mrs. Hooten are close friends and the officers interviewed advised Mrs. Clark accompanied Mrs. Hooten to the cabin hide-out of Subjects near the Venice, Ohio, bridge on the Miami River, when they were in hiding previous to 10-15-38. Both Mr. and Mrs. Clark are reported to have accompanied the Hootens to Phoenix, Arizona, and according to Detective Bob Binwiddie they have now returned to Hamilton.

14 South D Street; at this address reside Mr. and Mrs. Carl Wagner. Carl Wagner is employed at the Champion Coated Paper Company and is reported to be a brother-in-law of Foots Clark. [REDACTED] advises he hopes to secure valuable information through several interviews with Carl Wagner.

118 Main St.; at this address resides Mrs. Eva McDonald, who is in a very related to both the Clarks and the Hootens.

b7D According to Deputy Sheriff Duerr, one morning about 6 o'clock during the time the Subjects are supposed to have been in Hamilton, he saw Mrs. Hooten drive up to the McDonald residence with a large basket of groceries and enter the place [REDACTED] and she appeared very cautious in doing so. This address was examined by agent and it was found that there are three possible exits, one in the front, one in the rear and one on the side. It is a two story frame house. b7C [REDACTED] advised he has been keeping this address under surveillance and on several occasions recently he has seen a new Studebaker Sedan, bearing 1933 Indi-

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license plates #133-632 parked in front of this address. This address is located near [REDACTED] where he will be able to keep the place constantly under surveillance. If this automobile continues to appear at this address the 1934 license number will be obtained by [REDACTED] and a check will be made on [REDACTED] its ownership.

[REDACTED] advised that a member of the Hamilton, Ohio, Police Department, whose name he does not know to give at this time, but who has two sisters working at the Champion Coated Paper Company, confidentially informed him that an officer of the Hamilton Police Department by the name of [REDACTED] confidentially told him, the informant, that he had arrested one of the subjects in this case, whose head was closely shaved, in a section just South of Hamilton known as the Jungles, shortly before 10-15-33; that [REDACTED] permitted this subject to escape as he was afraid of the consequences should he take him into custody. [REDACTED] further advised that this informant also told him Doctor Louis Schneider, who has offices at 135 Main St., and who is the family physician of both the Wagners and the Clarks, treated subject Pierpont for a bullet wound in his right foot shortly previous to 10-15-33; that this Doctor identified the man through a photograph of Pierpont in the newspapers. [REDACTED] stated his informant cautioned him, [REDACTED] not to mention this fact to Dr. Schneider because the Doctor will absolutely deny this and will refuse to give any information whatsoever due to the fact that he is afraid of harm from other members of the gang. [REDACTED] stated his informant will keep him posted as to the activities of Clark and the Hootens. It is [REDACTED] belief that there is a very definite leak in the Hamilton Police Department, which resulted in the failure to capture subjects while in Hamilton and that this leak will continue. He, therefore, advised against furnishing any information whatsoever to members of that department.

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On 1-4-34, [REDACTED] called the Cincinnati Division Office by telephone and advised his informant had told him Mrs. Hooten had been seen parking her car for the past three days in front of the Stockton Club located approximately one and one-half miles south of Hamilton; that this place is operated by one Harvey Langdon, who has recently been discharged from a U. S. Penitentiary. He stated that this club has always been a rendezvous of gangsters in Hamilton and it is possible that Mrs. Hooten is preparing a place for subjects when they come to Hamilton. An attempt will be made in the near future to ascertain Mrs. Hooten's connections at this place.

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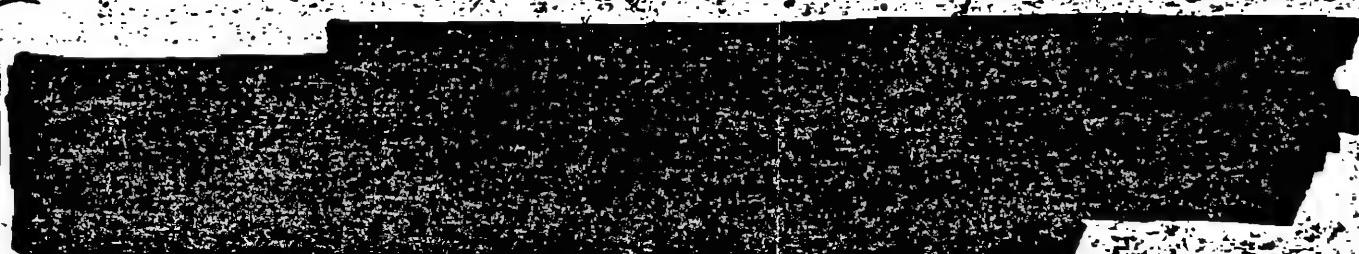
Mrs. Hooten is described by [REDACTED] as being about 30 years of age, large blue eyes, dark brown curly bobbed hair, light complexion, 5' 6" in height, unusually talkative, and has a pleasing personality. She wears a black lapin jacket with a small close fitting black hat. Her husband, Leroy Hooten, is about 30 years of age, 5' 7" in height, weight 135 to 140 lbs., dark hair and dark eyes, and sometimes wears a small black moustache. His complexion is sallow and he appears slim and sickly. According to informants, previous to

the visit in Hamilton of Subjects, the Hootens were in bad financial circumstances, but are now well dressed, driving an automobile, and appear to have plenty of spending money, which, according to informants, is new money.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

CHICAGO OFFICE at Chicago. Will interview Mr. Ralph W. Trimmer, 715 Lake St., Oak Park, for full details relative to the theft of his Chrysler Sedan, motor CD 5101, which is reported to have been stolen from him on 11-4-38. The value of this car when stolen should be obtained, as well as a more complete description of the same.

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LOS ANGELES OFFICE at Phoenix, Arizona. Will conduct complete investigation at 1148 N. 25th St., which address was given by Leroy Hooten in obtaining Arizona license plates for his Chevrolet Coach recently. No information is as yet available as to the reason for the Hootens and Clarks going to Arizona and it appears strange that they returned so suddenly to Hamilton, Ohio. A complete investigation should be made, if possible, to ascertain their movements while at Phoenix. For the use of the Agent conducting this investigation a photograph of each Subject is being forwarded to the Los Angeles Office.

CINCINNATI OFFICE at Avon, Indiana. Will obtain complete details from the garage owner at that point, name unknown, who recovered Chrysler Sedan, motor CD 5101 on or about 11-9-38 and full details from [REDACTED] who resides at this point concerning his transporting Subjects Pierpont, Clark, Shouse and Makley from Avon to Terre Haute, Ind.

At Terre Haute, Ind. The Terre Haute Police should also be consulted as to the action they took in attempting to apprehend the Subjects. Photographs of these four subjects should be used in this investigation.

At Reading, Ohio. Will interview Chief of Police Nate Hilderbrand relative to his investigations of the members of the Fox Family, who reside at 908 Main St., that city.

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It is believed that he has this data in his possession. Developments in this case which may not be known to this office should also be obtained from him.

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[REDACTED] At Hamilton, Ohio, Will again contact [REDACTED]

Detective Bob Dinwiddie, Chief of Police Calhoun, Deputy Sheriff Duerr and Lincolns for any information they may have to offer. Care should be used in interviews with members of the Hamilton Police Department as there is some question as to their reliability. An attempt should be made to follow closely the movements of the Hootens and the Clark's and also the activities of Mrs. Eva McDonald, who resides at 112 Main St., so it is highly possible the Subjects may return to Hamilton due to the indication that they may believe they will receive protection at this point.

At the Stockton Club, one and one-half miles from Hamilton, an attempt should be made to ascertain the reason for Mrs. Hooten's visit at this Club.

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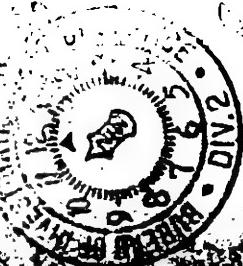
ADDENDUM:

For the information of the Los Angeles Office, there escaped from the Indiana State Penitentiary, Michigan City, Ind., 9-26-33, Harry Pierpont, Russell Clark, Edward Shouse, Charles Makley, John Hamilton, Joseph Fox, Walter Detrick, Joseph Burns, James Clark and James Jenkins. Apparently Burns, Fox and Detrick have separated from the other escaped convicts and nothing has been heard concerning them. The Division is informed that Subject Harry Copeland, bank robber, joined the other escaped convicts shortly after 9-26-33. On 10-12-33 Pierpont, Russell Clark, Copeland, Hamilton, Shouse and Makley appeared at the County Jail, Lima, Ohio, shot and killed Sheriff Jesse Barber, and liberated Subject John Dillinger, who was being held for a bank robbery. It is reported that Homer VanMeter and Hilton O. Crouch have joined the ex-convicts.

Subjects Shouse and Copeland have been apprehended; James Clark has been killed and James Jenkins, captured.

Photographs of Subjects Pierpont, Russell Clark, Charles Makley, John Hamilton and John Dillinger, together with photographs of Joseph Fox, Walter Detrick, Joseph Burns, Homer VanMeter and Hilton O. Crouch, bearing their respective descriptions are being furnished the Los Angeles Office for investigation at Phoenix, Arizona.

A Ford V-8 Sedan, motor #18394929, stolen from its owner, W. H. Underwood, 1837 Fargo Ave., Chicago, Ill., 10-6-33 was recovered at 1052 S. 2nd St., Hamilton, Ohio, on 10-15-33, hiding place of Subjects, shortly after they had departed. No Federal process is outstanding against any of the Subjects at the present time, but the Director has directed that the Division assist all state and local officers to the fullest extent in capturing Subjects and those who escaped with them. Subjects are desperate criminals and are reported to have committed a number of daring hold-ups and robberies in the Middle West since their escape. They are heavily armed and have indicated they will not be apprehended alive.



JAN 10 1934 AM

1900 BARKERS BUILDING,
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

Special Agent in Charge
Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
205 Lafayette Building
Detroit, Michigan.

DEAR MR. [REDACTED]: NAME UNKNOWN (see subject) is an
NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE SALES AGENT
MEMBER OF SHADY TREE BANK
FIRM, VELVET AUTOMOBILE COMPANY, INDIANA.
[REDACTED] CHICAGO WILL BE
[REDACTED]

For further use in investigation of the above
subject matter in your district, attached hereto please
find additional copies of photographs of all subjects,
together with other information gained in connection with
various associations. These photographs, descriptions and
various associations have been supplied by the
Federally organized districts. A copy of this letter is being
mailed Police Department, Chicago, and copied or
forwarded to the New York District Office. And copied or
mailed photographs are also being forwarded to the
various districts for the information.

J. H. DUVIVIER
Special Agent in Charge.

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
JAN 10 1934

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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1900 Bankers Building
Chicago Illinois

Special Agent in Charge
Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
425 Lafayette Building
Detroit, Michigan

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SAFETY PRECAUTIONS HAVE BEEN TAKEN
MAIL BOX WILL NOT ACT
MEMBER OF SECURITY GUARD SERVICE
LAW OFFICES LOCATED ON THE FIFTH FLOOR
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Dear Sir:

With reference to your information of 1900 Bankers Building, information concerning the recent telephone conversation of subject John Hamilton to his relatives at Chicago, Ill., and the further confirmation of long distance telephone conversation had with you, also of this date, I desire to advise that the following information was received from Lieutenant John Ross of the Chicago Police Department:

On January 8, 1934, at 7:00 P. M., a letter written on stationery of 101 East Delaware Place and addressed to [REDACTED] was sent to [REDACTED] Saginaw, Michigan, by [REDACTED]

"Please deliver tonight. Tell mother to take part of my luggage to Pontiac and bring sister [REDACTED] to Rock Dodillac Hotel, Detroit, ten o'clock Saturday for trip to New York. If possible bring my watch. Money by Western Union tonight [REDACTED] Records.

(Signed)

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The investigation with the Chicago Police Department advised that the subject's sister, which is identified as Mrs. Billings, Mrs. Ferguson, came to town about two weeks ago, accompanied by two women, negro and Caucasian, who were staying at the Elbow Room Inn, 1655 Elbow Room Street, and were driving a 1933 Terraplane automobile, Michigan license No. 650765 and was dark green, gray in color. The other Negro Terraplane automobile was a black sedan with a Michigan license plate, number unknown. They may also be using a Chrysler sedan.

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In connection with the Michigan license plates which
came to you to telegraph from FBI office, dated January 4, 1934,
requesting that Inquiry be made relative to 1933 Michigan Plates
No. 18333 and License No. 520780 to make up your file of the
Inquiry, advising that 1933 Michigan Plates No. 18333 were issued to
[REDACTED] Michigan, for Ford sedan, 1933 model, motor
no. [REDACTED]

It is noted from your telegram that the number
of your license pertained to Michigan Plates No. 18333, whereas No.
M-38034 was furnished your office. It is respectfully suggested that
you check this discrepancy, and take steps that your inquiry be
revised Michigan No. 18333, which will appropriate investigation pertaining
to No. M-38034, Michigan No. 18333 which car was used by the
members of the Party. Please advise.

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Information obtained states he arrived here on January
8, 1934. This citizen was furnished, by way of an anonymous telephone
call, the license number of 1933 Michigan plates No. M-38034 and
Louisiana plates No. 520780. Information was received from the New
Orleans office that 1933 Michigan Plates No. 18333 were issued to
[REDACTED] Louisiana, and that he had been issued Louisiana, for 1933
Michigan plates, 18333. Further investigation in this regard
was made by said office. It will be noted that the Louisiana plates
number furnished by the Detroit Police Department was 520780.

The party calling could not divulge his name or address,
and could be furnished no other information except that he is the owner
of a dark side car in this city, and that shortly before New Year's
Day was stored his automobile bearing the above described license
plates at his garage. The plates were unknown to him and appeared
to be forged. As further stated he had information on hand to the
effect that during the entire time the cars were parked at his garage,
these men travelled about the city in regular. The caller would not
give any definite information regarding who exactly or whom they had
intimated that they were their secret informant. He stated that they
departed recently for Chicago, so have not been able to furnish
information in regard to them.

The Chicago Police Department further advised that they
communicated with the Police Department at Detroit, Michigan, by tele-
phone, and after a check was made at the Book Cadillac Hotel, the Police
Department advised that the entire party, names not given, had left
Detroit sometime Sunday, January 7th, en route to New York. The Chicago

Police Department advised that your investigation has been referred to the New York Police Department, New Orleans, with the request that you:

On January 7, 1934, at approximately 10:30 P.M., John Hamilton, a Negro, was found dead in the Indiana State Penitentiary, Indiana City, Indiana. It was determined by police attached to the Death's Attorney's Office, that he had been found lying interviewed on January 7, 1934, sometime between 10:30 P.M. and midnight, at the Detective Bureau of the Chicago Police Department. Detrich advised that he knew nothing whatever concerning Plaintiff, et al., other than that John Hamilton is said to have a mother and a son residing at 207 West 271st Street, Cleveland, Ohio, and that he should advise that this information likewise was telegraphed to the Police Department of Cleveland, Ohio, by the Chicago office.

Also, on January 7, 1934, Special Agent C. W. Mulligan advised the Police Department of Chicago was conducting an investigation of 1155 Lincoln Park West in connection with these individuals, and further advised that in leaving, one of these parties left a suit of clothes. He stated that this address was covered for the possible return of somebody to pick up this suit of clothes, and should there be any further developments, Lieutenant Ross would be notified this office.

As stated in the telephone conversation between yourself and yourself, a copy of this letter is being forwarded to the New York Division Office, for their information, together with photographs of the various subjects involved, and you are requested to advise the New York office street of all the circumstances in connection with the above subject matter. The New Orleans office is also being furnished with a copy of this letter for its information.

There are attached for your information photographs of the various subjects involved in instant investigation.

Very truly yours,

H. L. MORRIS
Special Agent in Charge

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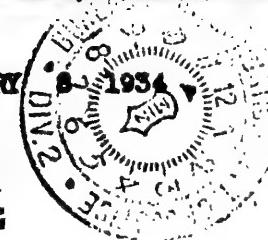
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M H PURVIS
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CHICAGO ILLINOIS

HARRY PIERPONT ETAL NMVTA CLEVELAND POLICE RECEIVED WIRE TODAY FROM CHICAGO
POLICE ADVISING SOME SUBJECTS THIS CASE HAVE LEFT CHICAGO EN ROUTE DETROIT
AND NEW YORK CITY IN TWO ESSEX TERRAPLANE CARS STOP JOHN HAMILTON HAS
RELATIVES CLEVELAND THAT POINT NOW COVERED STOP SECURE ALL INFORMATION FROM
CHICAGO POLICE AND ADVISE

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JAN 13 1934 AM

625 Lafayette Building,
Detroit, Michigan

January 10,

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Special Agent in Charge
Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
1500 Bankers Building
Chicago, Illinois

To: Harry Pfeiffer, with aliases, et al.
National Auto Theft Squad
Murder of Sheriff John Carter, Lima, Ohio
Bureau from Indiana State Penitentiary

Dear Sirs:

Reference is made to your communication dated January 8, 1934, with which you transmitted circulars prepared by the Chicago Police Department showing the photographs and descriptions of the persons involved in the above entitled matter.

It is noted that Charles Bradley and Russell Clark are wanted for bank robberies and prison escape. No mention is made in these circulars concerning the charge of murder committed at Lima, Ohio, on October 18, when Sheriff Jessie Carter was killed during the escape of John Billings from the County Jail in that city, and it is believed advisable to call this matter to the attention of the Chicago police.

As indicated in my report dated November 4, 1933, the following named persons have been indicted at Lima, Ohio, in connection with the murder of Sheriff Carter:

Harry Copeland, Indiana State Penitentiary #12231 (Apprehended)
Russell Clark, Indiana State Penitentiary #2601
Robert Gossen, #26015
Harry Pfeiffer, #26014
John Billings, #26000
Charles Bradley, #26020
John Williams, Indiana State, #26020

Very truly yours,

W. L. Larson
Special Agent in Charge

Mr. L. C. Larson
cc Division

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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION

JAN 12 1934

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Indiana State Policeman Is Battle Victim

Paris, Ill., Dec. 20.—[Special]—Eugene Teague, 24, of Indianapolis, an Indiana state policeman, was fatally wounded and scores of pedestrians narrowly escaped death or injury today when Indiana state policemen, headed by Capt. Matt Leach, engaged in a gun fight with Edward Shouse, 27, one of the convict gang which escaped from Indiana state prison Sept. 30.

Shouse, a man named Carl Miller, and two women companions were captured and taken to Indianapolis for questioning. After a preliminary questioning Miller, who was found in the La France hotel outside which the fight took place, was sent on to Indiana reformatory at Pendleton. A third man, said by Indiana authorities to be named Brennan, escaped in the fight.

Police Await Party.

Acting on an unexplained tip, the Indiana policemen waited in Paris for arrival of an automobile driven by Shouse. The car, recognized by its license number, came down the street to a point almost in front of the La France hotel. The policemen called to Shouse to surrender.

Shouse, it was said by Leach, stepped behind the steering wheel of the car. The second man jumped from the car with the first exchange of rifle fire started.

Two women have been captured, Mrs. Frances Colan, of New York, wife, and Ruth Spencer, of San Diego, Cal. They were reported to have been traveling with Shouse for some time.

State by New Orleans.

Leach said he did not know who made the first shot except that the Indiana authorities established that he was struck by bullets fired by Indiana policemen. The bullet shot entered the man's head at the base of the brain and passed out through the mouth.

The capture and shooting took place about downtown Paris was crowded with Christmas shoppers. Minutemen scurried to carts while pedestrians scattered to either get far away in the street. Shouse was captured at the muzzle of a revolver held by Albert Stapp, Paris policeman. Other police, cooperating with Indiana officers, were headed by Captain Leach, chief of police.

Shouse was sentenced to life in state prison from Vigo county, Ind. Terre Haute, in July 1934, for auto robbery.

Teague joined the Indiana state police force in May.

One of the Will Rogers.

Shouse was one of ten convicts who shot and staggered their way out of prison after overpowering guard with weapons which had been smuggled into the prison.

James Clark, one of the convicts, was captured two days later at Ham-

boldup. They also are credited with a bank robbery at Kenosha, Wis.

Dillinger avoided capture in Chicago recently when he shot his way out of a carefully laid police trap.

John Hamilton, one of the escaped convicts, was identified last week as the slayer of Sarge. William Shanley of Chicago, who attempted to question him.

RAIDERS HUNT GANG

Indiana police, who yesterday captured Edward Shouse, one of the ten convicts who escaped from the Michigan City [Ind.] prison, and have since terrorized Chicago, telegraphed Chicago police information on which a raid was made on an apartment at 115 North Parkside avenue. The apartment, which had been rented two weeks ago by men who gave their names as H. Ellis and C. Wehr, was not occupied.

Mrs. B. W. Houghton, manager of the building, was shown pictures of all the convicts not yet recaptured, and also was shown a picture of Shouse, who was taken prisoner in Paris, Ill. She said she could not identify any of the men.

Many Hiding Places Here.

Supervising Captain John Stapp, who has been placed in charge of the search here for the Indiana bandits, said they had hundreds of hiding places in Chicago, due to the fact that more than 200 convicts paraded from the Michigan City prison five here. Members of the Indiana gang, which is headed by John Dillinger, keep moving, seldom hiding in an apartment more than one week, Stapp said.

In every instance, he said, they have had the help of Chicago residents in obtaining apartments, and usually found women company.

In the Felony court Mr. Dent Sullivan Burton Deane, with John Hamilton, Indiana felon, when he told Sarge. William Shanley, yesterday, was arraigned yesterday as an accessory to the murder. He pleaded guilty before Municipal judge J. A. Schiller and heard sentence. James J. Grunewald, 26, was sentenced to jail for two years.

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UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORT NO. 1
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

DETROIT, MICHIGAN

REPORT MADE AT

Chicago, Ill.

DATE WHEN

1/10/34

PERP.
HARRY PIPPONT, with aliases;
HARRY COPELAND, alias John Sawyer;
#8 41

NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT:
REPORT OF Detroit, Joseph Parker,
1100 West, Chicago from Indian
Police Department

SYNOPSIS & FACTS

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DEPT. OF JUSTICE
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
JAN 12 1934 AM
C. H. Hamilton, son of Elmer J. Hamilton, is now residing at 6038 - 18th Street, Kenosha, Wisconsin. His home address constantly reported by police Department, Kenosha. At 3:30 PM yesterday he was around Kenosha during past three years. More information to be obtained as to his whereabouts and addresses of subject Hamilton's other brothers and sisters.

REFERENCE:

Telegram from the Detroit Division to the
Chicago Office, January 12, 1934.

DETAILS:

The reference telegram above was a request to ascertain if C. M. Hamilton, alleged brother of subject Harry Hamilton, is now residing at 6038 - 18th Street, Kenosha, Wisconsin.

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In this connection, interview [REDACTED] [REDACTED] in this Post Office at Kenosha, Wisconsin. No address before him at 6038 - 18th Street, Kenosha, Wisconsin, which address is immediately adjoining the address 6038 - 18th Street, formerly occupied by one Elmer J. Hamilton; [REDACTED] advised that he had known Elmer J. Hamilton for fifteen years; that Elmer Hamilton resided at 6038 - 18th Street up until

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UNITED STATES

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about October, 1938, when he moved from their address to 2007 1st Street, Menomonie, in Xenoqua; that while he and Elmer Hamilton were on friendly terms as neighbors, he had never seen Subject JOHN HAMILTON about the premises of Elmer Hamilton and had never heard Elmer Hamilton speak of him.

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[REDACTED] advised that Elmer Hamilton's family consisted of himself, his wife, Ethel, and a little girl about six or seven years of age. Upon being shown a picture of Subject JOHN HAMILTON, [REDACTED] stated this picture very much resembled Elmer Hamilton; that as far as he knew, Elmer Hamilton's reputation was good; that for a considerable length of time, Elmer Hamilton has worked as a machinist for the Holmes Manufacturing Company, in Koshkonong, Wisconsin, although at the present time, it is his opinion Elmer is unemployed. He stated he has not seen Elmer in Koshkonong since he moved in October of 1938 to his present address. He stated, however, that during a conversation with Elmer Hamilton at one time, Elmer advised him his mother, whose name he did not give, was residing in Sault Ste. Marie.

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[REDACTED] stated that at no time during the period Elmer J. Hamilton resided next door to him, neither he nor his wife had ever seen anyone about the premises of Elmer Hamilton that in any way resembled Subject JOHN HAMILTON.

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[REDACTED] advised that at the present time, Carl Ibsen is not residing at that address; however, [REDACTED] is the owner of the property in which Elmer Hamilton now resides. He stated the exact whereabouts of [REDACTED] are unknown, but according to information furnished by [REDACTED] he states that about a year and a half or two years ago, [REDACTED] left Koshkonong, Wisconsin, stating he was going to work at the Overland Automobile Plant in Mayette, Oregon. [REDACTED] also advised that Miss June Nelson resides at 2407 1st Avenue, with the Hamiltons, and that Miss Nelson is a niece of Mr. Hamilton.

[REDACTED] advised they proceeded to the Police Department, Menomonie, Wisconsin, and there interviewed Lieutenant Frank Schmeesberg, Chief of Detectives. He advised that ever since the escape of Subject JOHN HAMILTON from the Indiana State Penitentiary at Michigan City, Indiana,

the Police Department at Kenosha, Wisconsin has been keeping a constant surveillance on the residence of JOHN J. HAMILTON at 1007 25th Avenue; that just four weeks ago, his department conducted an exhaustive investigation in and about Kenosha for the purpose of ascertaining the present whereabouts, if possible, of Subject Hamilton. Lieutenant Schneeberger stated that this surveillance is still being maintained and should Subject Hamilton, or anyone resembling his general description, appear at that address, the Police will be advised immediately and the necessary action taken. Lieutenant Schneeberger stated Subject Hamilton has not been seen in Kenosha during the past three years, although he at one time resided there, and Elmer Hamilton lives in constant fear of Subject Hamilton's return.

Raymond Gleason, an officer of the Kenosha, Wisconsin, Police Department, is a step-brother of Elmer J. Hamilton's wife and for the past two years he and Mrs. Hamilton have not been on speaking terms; further, through Gleason, the Kenosha, Wisconsin, Police have obtained considerable information concerning the Hamilton family.

Gleason was interviewed by Agent and he advised that Subject HAMILTON has a brother by the name of Sylvester Hamilton, said to be a milkman, living in a road camp resort on some river a short distance out of Gary, Indiana; further, that Subject John Hamilton's wife is dead but his mother-in-law is at the present time taking care of John Hamilton's two sons and she is said to be residing in Toledo, Ohio. With respect to Subject Hamilton's mother-in-law, Gleason advised Agent he would obtain her name and address in Toledo.

Gleason further advised that Subject Hamilton has a brother, first name unknown, residing in Cleveland, Ohio; that this brother had been engaged in the real estate business a few years ago with two other individuals in Cleveland, Ohio and the name of "Hamilton" appeared in the firm name; that they had offices in one of the larger office buildings in Cleveland; that this Hamilton was known as "Red" Hamilton and was crippled in one leg. In connection with this brother, Gleason stated he would ascertain his name and correct address. He added he understood that this Hamilton brother in Cleveland had a considerable amount of money belonging to Subject John Hamilton which he was keeping in trust for him, and that all probability, if JOHN HAMILTON were out of funds, he would no doubt contact this brother in Cleveland.

Gleason said he had just this morning a brother, who resided in Sault Ste Marie, Mich., about three months ago, that Subject has a sister living in Sault Ste Marie and another married sister in Milwaukee, Wis.

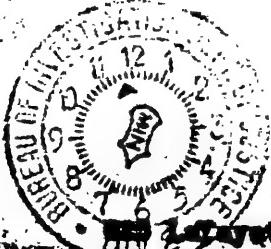
Gleason stated he will endeavor to ascertain the names and addresses of these two sisters of HAMILTON and advise this Agent accordingly.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

CHICAGO OFFICE, at Racine, Wisconsin, will contact Lieut. Schneeberger, Detective Bureau, in about a week or ten days, for the purpose of obtaining from him the additional information which Officer Gleason has promised to secure, relative to the names and addresses of the sisters and brothers of subject Hamilton.

As soon as this information is obtained, the Chicago Office will conduct the necessary investigation at South Ste. Marie, Michigan, Milwaukee, Wisconsin and Gary, Indiana, among the relatives of subject Hamilton.

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Wm. Lafayette Hagg.

Special Agent in Charge

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Special Agent in Charge
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F. B. I. Department of Justice
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Chicago, Illinois

Mr. Ralph Winters with aliases, in the
national Motor Vehicle Theft File
order of Sheriff James Parker, Lake, C.
and from Indiana State Penitentiary

BARRY MCGEE

Reference is made to your communication dated January 4,
1934 and recent telegrams and telephone conversations concerning the
above entitled matter.

Upon receipt of your telegram dated January 6 requesting
to be advised the name and address of the person to whom 1933 Michigan
License Plates K-2824 were issued. Please be advised that in view
of the Motor Vehicle Division of the Secretary of State's Office at
Lansing, Michigan being closed on Saturday afternoon, this information
was requested of the Motor Vehicle Bureau of the Police Department and
this office was advised that records did not reflect that such a license
had been issued in the State. The name and address of the person to
whom plates K-2824 were issued was then requested and it was determined
that these plates were in the possession of [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] to a local dealer. This information was telephonically
transmitted to your office.

On January 10, 1934, [REDACTED] was interviewed in order to determine
information relative to the plates K-2824 and his understanding, communication
with him and the results of investigation of [REDACTED] to [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] was
determined that these plates were issued to [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] for a 1933 Buick V-8, 70 cubic inch, engine
motor No. 28429, serial No. 78812 under Michigan Title 0871584. The
records further disclosed that this car was purchased September 26,
1933 from A. Kahn & Company, 234 River Street, Manistee, Michigan and
further that a chattel mortgage in the amount of \$540 in favor of the

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Commercial Credit Company, 5000 Woodward Avenue, Detroit, Michigan to file against this wire. The application for license was acknowledged by [REDACTED] at 10:00 P.M. on January 5, 1934, at [REDACTED] Hotel, 5000 Woodward Avenue, Detroit, Michigan.

Upon receipt of your communication of the 5th instant the matter was discussed with the local police who advised that on January 7 they received telephone communication from the Chicago Police Department to the effect that it was believed that John Hamilton, Harry Pierpoint, John Pillinger and Harry Fletcher and two unknown women were at Detroit and that they were to contact someone at the Rock Cadillac Hotel in this City and then proceed to New York. They were further informed that the gang was travelling to New Haven, Connecticut, one of which here Louisiana license plates and the other license unknown but perhaps they were also using a California license.

The Police Department immediately made investigation of the above hotel exhibiting photographs of the subjects to employees there but were unable to find any trace of the outfit.

Electrocardiograph of the 1010-6 Squad, Detroit Police Department further advised that following the first telephone call a second call was received from the Chicago Police stating that [REDACTED] [REDACTED] Kensey Harbor, Michigan near Pontiac and about twenty-five miles from Detroit, had received a wire purporting that the [REDACTED] girl now her sister, [REDACTED] at the Commercial Credit Company located at 5000 Woodward Avenue, 8:00 p.m., January 5, which was Saturday afternoon.

The Police Department upon making a further search of the Western Union office determined that a second wire had been received by [REDACTED] at Kensey Harbor signed [REDACTED] and which was sent from Michigan City, Indiana at 11:30 a.m., January 6, 1934 reading: "Will arrive at Woodward Avenue 5 p.m." From this wire it is indicated that evidently the person in question knew that they could not be able to reach Detroit at 8:00 o'clock in the afternoon and therefore wired the change of time.

Members of the Detroit Police Department then proceeded to Kensey Harbor where they located [REDACTED] who is residing at 1705 Sylvan Glen and who is employed by the Yellow Cab Company at Pontiac. It was determined that his wife [REDACTED] is a sister of [REDACTED] and that she also has another sister named [REDACTED]. In this connection reference is made to the wire set out in your communication dated January 8 signed [REDACTED] Chicago regarding sister [REDACTED] who was seen there at the Rock Cadillac Hotel 10:30 a.m. Saturday

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[REDACTED] and the [REDACTED] family resides at Milwaukee, Michigan although he claims not to know much about the family, and stated that [REDACTED] married [REDACTED] about a year or two ago and that they have been residing in Chicago, address unknown; that it is his information that [REDACTED] has been employed by the [REDACTED] Company since January 1, 1934. He further stated that [REDACTED] sister of [REDACTED] and his wife, arrived at his home at 34000 Barber on Thursday, January 14, 1934 but she had come there from her home in New Jersey with her brother [REDACTED] in his automobile and that she left his home in company with her brother, Saturday, the Detroit where she intended to visit her sister [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] in the Commercial Freight Company, 34037 Woodward Avenue, Detroit place [REDACTED] was to make a payment on the Buick Terraplane. [REDACTED] he stated, told him that she expected to proceed with her sister and the other members of the party to an unknown point in New York State where [REDACTED] is alleged to have two children by a former marriage. In this connection [REDACTED] will be advised that the wife quoted in your letter above referred to will leave Chicago on January 9, 1934 to [REDACTED] Milwaukee, Wisconsin, where [REDACTED] does not know the [REDACTED] is. It will be further advised that [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] were practically estranged from each other for a number of years and had last January sometime before the day before [REDACTED] as proposed joint [REDACTED] to [REDACTED] the Buick Terraplane. [REDACTED] advised that no damage was suffered to the Buick Terraplane.

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Kooga Harbor stated that [REDACTED] came to him about 8:00 P.M., Saturday for the purpose of getting out of Detroit at 8:00 P.M., that they later returned to Kooga Harbor and were given [REDACTED] the rent from Michigan City, Indiana to the amount of \$1.00. [REDACTED] would be in Detroit at 9:00 P.M. and [REDACTED] then proceeded again to Detroit. He is of the opinion that [REDACTED] upon delivering [REDACTED] to Detroit, proceeded back to his home in Milwaukee.

It will be noted that the telephone number furnished by Chicago Police to Detroit Police is 230750, whereas the Location number furnished by one of an anonymous telephone call to the Detroit office is 230750. It is requested that this discrepancy be straightened out with the Chicago Police. It is also suggested that it be determined from the Police of Chicago if it has been definitely established that the Billings office resided at 1001 Euclid Park West, from which address the telegram was sent.

In regard to the statement made by Walter Patrick, who escaped from the Indiana State Penitentiary and who was apprehended on the night of January 4, 1934 at Chicago, to the effect that Hamilton has a mother and son residing at 207 West 57th Street, Cleveland, please be advised that for the past several days a very thorough investigation has been made in Cleveland with a view to locating friends and relatives of Subject John Hamilton.

It was noted upon examination of records at the Indiana State Penitentiary that Hamilton at one time had a visitor who was registered as Coville Hamilton, aka, 207 E. 57st Street, Cleveland. This is evidently the address that Patrick had in mind as there is no West 57th Street in the city of Cleveland and instead of 207 being 207 as Patrick wrote, the number is 209, which indicates that he has some knowledge of this address. Present information learned states a Claude H. Hamilton has resided at 207 Euclid Park West, which is now Nine and when he moved to this house his name, Claude H. Hamilton, was Coville and appears to be a good fit for the subject in question.

Upon further consulting records in this office it was found that while John Hamilton was an inmate of the Indiana State Penitentiary he received mail from Mr. C. H. Hamilton, brother, 6036 18th Street, Kenosha, Wisconsin. It now appears that the C. H. Hamilton of Kenosha is the Claude H. Hamilton who formerly resided at 207 E. 57st Street, Cleveland and now living in Mentor, a suburb of

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Cleveland. It will be noted that the service has been discontinued to determine if there is a doctor at Hamilton's residence at 2100 East Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin in order to clarify this situation. It is known from information to record in Cleveland that John Hamilton has a son, Harry, investigated by Newark and the services of that Claude Hamilton had two children and through the investigation of the Superintendent of Schools at Newark, the Agents of Cleveland are attempting to determine the names and addresses of friends and relatives of the Hamilton family. The Police of Cleveland have been furnished complete information concerning this matter by the Agents and are cooperation fully.

In view of the information furnished by the Chicago Police to the effect that the man to whom he was in talk vicinity and travelling East, the information was furnished to the Agents at Cleveland with instructions to keep a close lookout in the vicinity where Claude H. Hamilton resided or located in view of the possibility that John Hamilton might attempt to visit his mother.

With regard to the man [redacted] of Manistee, Michigan to whom the wire was sent by the Chicago office on January 5, which wire do not yet in your communication of January 6, please be advised that on the afternoon of January 5 a wire was received at this office from the Sheriff of Marion, Ohio advising that he had in custody one [redacted] who was in possession of a stolen automobile. He also stated that the man in custody claimed to have resided in the upper peninsula of Michigan and in the vicinity of Manistee and Bigfoot. In view of this it is expected that perhaps [redacted] was connected with the [redacted] and Milligan outfit and an Agent was immediately dispatched to that point. [redacted] however, stated that his home was at Thompson, Michigan which is located in the upper peninsula and considerable distance from Manistee. He claimed, however, to have a brother named [redacted] but denied that he knew anyone by the name of [redacted] or [redacted] or did he have any friends or relatives residing in Manistee.

[redacted] It was learned, held up and robbed a tourist near Michigan City, Indiana on August, 1938 stealing the automobile after shooting the driver from the front door. [redacted] can be arrested later and it is believed another individual took part in at least the hold up. It is believed that to secure all information regarding [redacted] and [redacted] it is recommended that a general investigation should be conducted in Manistee, Michigan which contains no telephone connection with either Smith today. As indicated in this communication, the [redacted] family resides at Manistee and evidently can be located either through Post Office Box 264 or through the Hudson-Boker dealer at Manistee from whom [redacted] purchased the car. It is believed that [redacted] will communicate with her folks and that this communication will indicate

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After the boat is loaded on the flatcars it is transported by rail to the port of New York. From the port of New York the boat is transported by truck to the port of Montreal, Quebec, Canada. It is at this point that the boat is loaded onto a flatcar and transported by rail to the port of Montreal, Quebec, Canada. A photograph of this boat is shown below.

In order to determine the route taken by the boat from the alleged trip to New York, a careful examination was made of the records of the tunnel, bridge and ferry leading from Detroit to Windsor, Ontario and it was found that the boat evidently did not cross into Canada and if they proceeded east, went by way of Toledo and Cleveland.

Very truly yours,

John L. Johnson
Special Agent in Charge

cc - Division
New York
New Orleans
Chicago

Manistee, Michigan,
January 12, 1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE, MICHIGAN

To: John Ball

In accordance with the information furnished Agent in Special Agent E. A. Smith January 11, 1934 by Fred Johnson, telephonist of Manistee, Michigan that [REDACTED] (the man [REDACTED] connected with the Hillinger gang and was departing to New York in the [REDACTED] Express Torraine, one bearing a Michigan license number, and that the Chicago office would like to know where these individuals are now. Information being furnished that [REDACTED] lives at [REDACTED] Agent proceeded to Manistee, Michigan and conducted the following investigation:

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Agent interviewed Mr. Frank Drane, Chief of Police, who advised that he had received a letter from Chief of Detectives, W. H. Neumanner, Chicago Police Department, Chicago, Illinois dated January 9, 1934 requesting information concerning [REDACTED] that he had made no investigation and found that [REDACTED] was married to [REDACTED] that [REDACTED] is a marine engineer; that he was chief engineer on a boat which boat belonged to [REDACTED] and which boat was up the winter at Manistee, Michigan and is still in winter today; that [REDACTED] worked on cabin maid or hostess; that [REDACTED] is a good looking girl about 18 years of age; that he does not know whether she has any children or not; that [REDACTED] was hired by [REDACTED] as ship keeper; that he had three kids with father and mother, all aged about 65 years old; [REDACTED] was born about 65 years ago; [REDACTED] was born about 65 years ago.

Mr. Drane advised further that [REDACTED] and wife registered at the Chippewa Hotel, Manistee on Dec. 19th and checked out on Dec. 19th and registered as coming from New York City; that [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] registered at the same hotel on December 19, 1933, [REDACTED] from New York City and [REDACTED] from New Orleans, and both checked out on December 20, 1933.

Mr. Druse further advised that [REDACTED] has a married sister living in Chicago, address unknown; that is his opinion she might be going under the name of [REDACTED]. He also advised that [REDACTED] has a married sister living in Pontiac, Michigan and a brother named [REDACTED], age about 26, living with his parents, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] in Pontiac at the present time; that [REDACTED] was in Pontiac as late as January 6th; that [REDACTED] has a sister [REDACTED] about 22 and good looking. Mr. Druse stated he was satisfied with [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] delivered [REDACTED] to Detroit in the Escort Coupe which [REDACTED] gave to her father last September when she purchased her new car. He advised that [REDACTED] returned to Pontiac by himself.

Mr. Druse advised that the [REDACTED] was attached by W. H. Marshal Martin from of Grand Rapids, Michigan on January 8, 1934 and [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] ordered off the boat. He stated that he saw the proper papers delivered to the new Ship Keeper, [REDACTED] authorizing his services. He advised that from what information he can gather [REDACTED] left for Buffalo, New York, no address given, about Jan. 10th.

Mr. Druse further stated that [REDACTED] received a telegram from [REDACTED] on Jan. 10, 1934, (empty) duplicate telegram, (11. 1-7,00 P.) reading as follows:

Please deliver tonight 1000 feet of
Insure Rofting and bring Master [REDACTED] to [REDACTED] Cadillac
Hotel, Detroit one o'clock Saturday for trip to New York.
If possible bring my watch. Only by express train to
night there. [REDACTED] Reporting.

Chief of Police Druse stated that he will be in touch with [REDACTED] and learned that [REDACTED] had lost a white wrist watch, size of lime, 14 diamonds and a sapphire, valued at \$500 with [REDACTED] for repairs, and that no one has yet been called for it. Agent personally called on W. H. [REDACTED] and verified the above information and was advised by [REDACTED] that he had not yet received any telegrams from [REDACTED] nor had any been called for yet. He was requested by Agent not to allow the watch to go out, but to [REDACTED] to ascertain the address of [REDACTED] and to advise whoever called for it that he would mail the watch to her registered mail. [REDACTED] agreed to do this. He seemed very reliable and was searched for by Mr. Druse and stated he would be glad to cooperate in every possible way.

Chief of Police Druse stated that [REDACTED] own jointly a 1933 model Essex Terraplane Sedan, License No. N-38-034, Mich. 1933, which [REDACTED] is now driving. Mr. Druse stated that this car was purchased from A. Kann & Co., 334 River Street, Hudson and Essex Dealer; that there is a balance due of \$450 as of Jan. 11, 1934; that the address given when the license plates were purchased was Koughton, Mich.

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and in Agent's presence telephoned
Banister, and from him identified
himself as [REDACTED] who expressed a desire to
which is a little town about
7 miles from [REDACTED] on January 3, 1934. It should be remembered
former partner of [REDACTED] and very good friend

Agent checked the records at the Hotel Bippow and found that the information furnished by Mr. Kruse was correct. Agent took a tracing of the registration and the same is attached to this memorandum.

Agent attempted to check the telegram at the Western Union but was advised by [redacted] Local Manager, that he could not get them from Chicago to furnish Agent. Inasmuch as Agent later got the other telegram and had the one from the Chief of Police which he obtained through his friend at the office, Agent made no further attempts to obtain them.

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ment, accompanied by chief of Police, Informant [REDACTED] advised that [REDACTED] was married once before and had two children of the first marriage who were now being held in a school in New York some place; that [REDACTED] was behind three months in the payments and he believed that he was going there to get the children and bring them back. He stated that [REDACTED] originally came from Koughton, Michigan; that she was supposed to be a fashionable dress-maker and had been married to [REDACTED] for about 8 years. He stated he believed one of the children was a boy and the other a girl; that they were very young. He stated that [REDACTED] told him that he was going to New York to get his children and bring them back to Lake Harbor, Michigan, near Pontiac and [REDACTED] take care of them for him. He stated that [REDACTED] [REDACTED] is a brother of [REDACTED] that he was a very good looking boy and was about 14 years of age; that his parents lived in the [REDACTED] house at [REDACTED]. Agent learned from the clerk in the post office that [REDACTED]

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[redacted] advised that he received a wire from [redacted] at Chicago, dated January 2, 1934 reading "Have Patchman at your office telephoning 8 tonight. Seasons greetings". He advised that he was at his office at the appointed hour and talked with [redacted] in Chicago but he would not tell him where he was talking from, but he heard him use slugs and he assumed he was talking from a pay station. He stated that the conversation was about the [redacted] that he asked where his father-in-law was living and he told him at the Northern Hotel and he in turn told him to tell his father-in-law to go to the Chippewa Hotel for it was just as cheap. He advised further that [redacted] told him that he would be back in Manistee next week or the week following.

[redacted] he stated that [redacted] attorney for box, owner of the Isle Novels, now located in Chicago, was a very close friend of [redacted]. He stated further that [redacted] is trying to promote a treasure hunt.

[redacted] advised that [redacted] worked for him and that he felt sure the information desired could be obtained from [redacted] if he knew about it. [redacted] went to see [redacted] and informed him of the information that [redacted] and his little daughter [redacted] left for New York Saturday at 8 P.M. from Detroit; that he has not heard from them as yet. [redacted] stated that he expected to hear from them within the next few days. He stated that [redacted] told him that [redacted] left Saturday morning from Manistee with [redacted] for Keweenaw Peninsula; that [redacted] received a telegram from [redacted] to the one set out under the interview with [redacted]; that he wired back to [redacted] and told [redacted] by the time [redacted] had already left for Keego Harbor and to wire them there.

[redacted] stated that [redacted] told him that [redacted] told him that he, [redacted] had gone to Detroit and could not wait so he and [redacted] went back to Keego Harbor where they received another wire from [redacted] to return to Detroit and meet them at the Book Cadillac Hotel and to stay there until they arrived; that they went to Detroit again and waited; that [redacted] and [redacted] came at 10 P.M. and went from Detroit to Toledo and stayed there over night; also that [redacted] said [redacted] had purchased a new car in Chicago and had gone ahead of [redacted] and [redacted] who was to meet [redacted] at Toledo to talk over matters pertaining to the [redacted].

[redacted] promised Agent that any additional information he could obtain regarding the present location of [redacted] he would convey to Chief of Police Kruse, who in turn would transmit the same to the Chicago office, the address and telephone number being furnished him for that purpose.

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Agent interviewed [redacted] who advised that he talked with [redacted] on the telephone on January 16 or 17, 1934 from Chicago, Ill., and [redacted] advised him to forward any mail to him c/o [redacted] Chicago, Ill.

[redacted] upon receipt of the information set out above, soon telephoned said information to Special Agent V. A. Smith, who in turn desired to be informed what relation [redacted] was to [redacted] [redacted] was being held by the Sheriff of Marion, Ohio for two hours and [redacted] was to [redacted] of Manistee. Agent communicated with [redacted] who advised that he did not know the man and that so far as he knew there was no relation existing between them.

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with the Chinese officials in every possible way and will notify the Chinese
office in the event he has any information as to the present location or
if [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] should return to Manchuria.

Very truly yours,

John T. Wagoner,
Special Agent.

2. Gao Duan has advised that the Chinese license number of the Peugeot
is H-30-44. No further information than that is available at the present
time or the border.

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1200 Bankers Bldg.
Milwaukee, Wisconsin
January 15, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
625 Lafayette Building,
Detroit, Michigan.

Dear Sir: Do you have any information concerning the National Motor Vehicle Theft Bureau, under the direction of Sheriff James Parker, Lima, Ohio, through their Indiana State Headquarters, Chicago, Illinois, or Chicago office?

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Reference is made to your letter of January 11, 1934, and to telephone conversations of yesterday. Transmitted herewith, for the offices indicated, is copy of a memorandum of Special Agent Earl Van Wagner, concerning investigation at Manistee, Michigan, in connection with [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] and their present location.

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Reference is made to your letter dated January 11, 1934, in which you advised the Department by telegram that a telegram had been sent from [REDACTED] to the [REDACTED] stationery of [REDACTED] Police Department, [REDACTED] place, to [REDACTED] in Manistee, Michigan from [REDACTED] [REDACTED] The information which the [REDACTED] Police Department gave concerning these two addresses in the above-mentioned telegram obtained in the following manner:

An anonymous telephone call was received at the offices of the Commissioner of Justice stating that someone from whom the police were looking could be located at [REDACTED] apartment. Lieutenant Smuly of the Detective Bureau was immediately summoned to this point, and upon his arrival, he noted on Room Number 10 a photograph being held away from the plate, bearing Louisiana license plates from 1932. Investigation was conducted at this address, and it was found in the identification of the picture as John Dillinger by a man who resided there, as being that of the person who had been living at this address. By ascertaining over the various institutions living in the apartment in company with the individual identified as Dillinger, the police came across the telegram of [REDACTED] above-mentioned, and concluded that [REDACTED] was living at this address with members of the Dillinger gang.

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Interviewed on the behavior of [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] and found on stationery of 501 E. Delaware, Little Rock, Arkansas and found [REDACTED] weekly conducted an investigation at 501 E. Delaware, Little Rock, Arkansas. Interviewed the manageress of that place, the hotel was the [REDACTED] in June 1933, a party by the name of [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] had stayed the week at this apartment hotel. The person living in this apartment was known to [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. It is to be noted that in the attached copy of the memorandum of Agent Van Winkle it is stated he had to [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] owned and operated this place. [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] were employed this past summer. One or these two women was the owner of a brown colored sedan, bearing a Michigan license plate, number [REDACTED]. They also had two Buick sedans, one of which bore a Louisiana license plate FABO-780, and a black car, bearing Michigan license plate number [REDACTED]. These cars were kept in a parking lot at 501 E. Delaware Street.

There is now in this parking lot at 501 E. Delaware Street, a Ford V-6 Coupe, blue in color, yellow wire wheels with Louisiana license 510-427, and according to the management of the hotel at 501 E. Delaware Street this car is also owned by [REDACTED] and party and he gave instructions to cover it over with a camouflage net that would pull the car in [REDACTED] so soon as they located a friend of theirs.

[REDACTED] another letter was addressed to [REDACTED] containing the following words; "Gold venture gets very positive and signed, [REDACTED]" Another letter was addressed to [REDACTED] no address, and a notation of 700 shares of stock Class A Stock Certificate No. 400-844444 of Prima Pabot Corporation, now the Prima Malt Co., dated Nov. 6, 1932, eighty dollars per share, signed [REDACTED].

Another letter contained the same information as above, addressed to [REDACTED] and [REDACTED], dated November 12, 1932, Commercial Credit Co., 5007 Woodward Avenue, Detroit, Michigan, and an account of \$19,000.00, [REDACTED] Nov. 200-9415 and return address to [REDACTED].

The reason the Manager has this information in her possession was that she became very suspicious of these people and was wishing they would move out. She also states that when the hotel bill was about to be paid on December 28th one man paid the bill and he pulled a brown

survivors from his last job, received containing a large amount of money
he took \$100 from it. But the passenger [redacted] had been hit by the [redacted]
barrel of the gun and killed. The envelope was in his hip pocket,
containing a large amount of money and took a fifty dollar bill which she
had. This sum did not have any small bills but two or three others.
She states the picture of Dillinger is very much like the same
kind of the type she didn't know him. She was unable to identify
any other photographs.

The above-quoted paragraphs are a portion of a report of
Lieutenant Joseph Klemens and Sergeant Murphy, made to the Office of
Detention on their investigation of Bill E. Delaware Place.

It is to be noted that the information concerning the address
at 8136 Lincoln Park, West, was obtained by an anonymous telephone call
to the Police Department, and the information submitted by the Welfare
Department, disclosed that [redacted] evidently lived at both
8136 Lincoln Park, West, and Bill E. Delaware Place, and that each of
these places, one individual identified the picture of Dillinger as
being one of the members of this party. It is to be further noted
that an anonymous telephone call to the Chicago Division Office, an
agent from this office to the Detroit Office, dated January
8, 1934, gave the information that suspicious persons who looked like
hoodlums were driving two Buick Automobiles bearing one bearing Louis-
ville license 524-780 and the other bearing Michigan License N-5504
which were determined to have been issued to [redacted]
for an Illinois Telephone number. From these above facts, it was con-
cluded, especially in view of the fact that Dillinger was identified
as being at each of these addresses with these parties, that there was
possibility that Dillinger and members of his gang were travelling with
[redacted] and had left for the east. It is to be noted that only
one person in each of the above addresses was able to identify the
picture of Dillinger as being with the [redacted] party and that the
identification made at Bill E. Delaware Place was not very positive.

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On January 10, 1934, Agent Van Zagoner, Special Agent in Charge,
Bureau of Prohibition, New Orleans, advised [redacted] as well as [redacted]
[redacted] and [redacted] that they had been engaged in the [redacted]
of a trip east for the purpose of getting the children of [redacted]
[redacted] who are located somewhere in or near New York City, and returning
them to the State of Michigan. According to Agent Van Zagoner's memo-
randum, [redacted] and [redacted] were at the present time interested in a venture
to locate and recover buried treasure. Evidently, the telegram from
[redacted] dated January 10, 1934, stating that "Gold venture
is going very nicely", has to do with this contemplated treasure hunt.

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Dear Sir:-

There is being transmitted herewith a copy
of "The Protective Bulletin", issued by the American
Bankers Association, New York City, for the month of
January, 1934. On page two will be noted the photo-
graphs and descriptions of the John Dillinger mob.

Very truly yours,

Wm. Larson
Special Agent in Charge

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Sound Banking Demands Self-Protection

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Banking's Own National Police

DURING recent months there has been a gratifying drop in the number of burglaries, daylight holdups, forgeries and other swindles reported by banks. Yet, hardly a week passes without some development to prove not only the value, but also the imperative need of nation-wide protective service to combat criminality and to meet the demands peculiar to the banking fraternity. Crime is entrenched and well organized and, since bank crooks comprise the smart set of the underworld, nothing less than a strongly organized and highly skilled force of specialists trained in the unraveling of bank crimes can cope with them.

The arrests of Johnny Wilson, Carl Evans and Arthur Phillips are but a few examples of the nation-wide "web" of protection afforded by the far-flung system placed at the disposal of member banks.

Three bandits swooped down upon an Arkansas bank, killing the assistant cashier, wounding the city marshal and taking more than \$7,000. One of the bandits was captured by a customer of the bank and another was arrested a few hours later by the local sheriff. But the leader of the trio escaped with nearly all of the loot. After a lengthy investigation, an operative from the Burns' Memphis office determined that the bandit still at large was Johnny

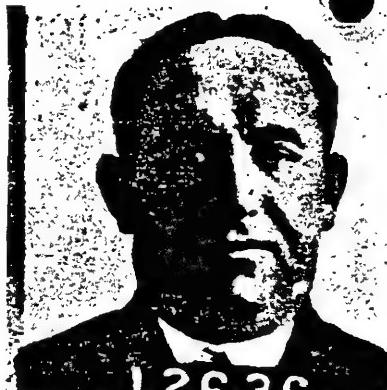
COMMENCING with this issue, the Protective Department sends direct to all members of the Association this BULLETIN which is filled with warnings of crimes against banks and other messages of prevention. Each copy should be digested immediately by the proper officer or employee, and corrective instructions issued promptly. Affording one of the major benefits of membership, the BULLETIN brings to you the experiences of thousands of other banks and of this nationwide protective organization. Forewarned is forearmed

Wilson, a hardened criminal who was wanted for the robbery of a non-member Arkansas bank. The hunt for Wilson led our agents through five states until a Burns' operative caused his arrest in Hot Springs, N. M. Wilson was quickly returned to Arkansas, found guilty of murder, and sentenced to serve the rest of his natural life in the Arkansas state penitentiary.

A bank in Wheatley, Ark., was held up by a lone bandit while the assistant cashier was left alone in the bank. After locking the assistant cashier in the vault, the bandit departed with \$1,366, all the cash on hand. Leads were scarce

and the investigation developed numerous suspects, the strongest suspicion pointing to one Carl Evans, a broken bootlegger whose whereabouts remained a mystery for months. Information developed in Missouri, however, opened a new trail to an address in Detroit, Mich., where a Burns' Detroit operative quickly located and arrested Evans. He was promptly extradited to Arkansas, positively identified, indicted and later sentenced to a penitentiary term of seven years. In reporting the bandit's delivery to Arkansas authorities, the bank gave full credit to our agents for establishing the identity, guilt and arrest of Evans, adding that "our county officers are practically helpless in such cases and, therefore, give very little assistance. It is very probable that without their (Burns) assistance, the guilty party would never have been known."

An unidentified forger succeeded in victimizing a score or more of hotels and a few banks in ten states, using a different alias in each instance. The Burns' Kansas City office uncovered leads which indicated that one Arthur Phillips might be implicated. Upon searching the files at the Burns' New York office, it was determined that when arrested at Elyria, Ohio, in 1931, Phillips gave his birthplace as Timmonsville, S. C. Police (CONTINUED ON PAGE 8)



CHARLES MAKLEY



JOHN DILLINGER



RUSSELL CLARK



HARRY PIERPONT



EDWARD SHOUSE



JOHN HAMILTON

These Dangerous Bandits Are Badly Wanted

REWARDS of \$1,000 each, dead or alive, have been offered for the arrest and conviction of six men wanted in connection with the murder of the sheriff of Allen County, at Lima, Ohio, on October 12, during the jail delivery of JOHN DILLINGER (5420), alias John Hall, who with HARRY COPELAND (5421), was mentioned on p. 6 of our October issue. Copeland was arrested on November 19 in Chicago and has been returned to the Indiana state prison for violation of parole. The reward offer applies to Dillinger who, with several accomplices, is also wanted for bank robberies.

Wanted for the murder are CHARLES MAKLEY (5445), and RUSSELL CLARK (5446), previously mentioned on p. 6 of our November issue; also HARRY PIERPONT (5496), EDWARD SHOUSE (5497), and JOHN HAMILTON (5498). Hamilton's most recent crime was the slaying of a Chicago police sergeant on December 14. All of these men had escaped from the state prison at Michigan City, Ind., on September 26, and Louis E. Kunkel, warden of that institution, had posted a reward of \$100

of any of the escaped prisoners. If any of these men are apprehended, H. G. Robinson, Ohio Bureau of Investigation and Identification at London, Ohio, and our agents' nearest office should be promptly notified.

John Dillinger is 30 years old; height, 5 ft. 7½ in.; weight, 160 lbs.; gray eyes, light chestnut hair, medium complexion. Fingerprint classification: (13) 9/14 R/U O/OO /9.

Charles Makley is 44 years old; height, 5 ft. 7½ in.; weight, 180 lbs.; medium heavy build, gray slate eyes, medium dark chestnut hair, medium dark complexion, tip of left index finger amputated, right leg short, limps slightly. Fingerprint classification: (11) 30/21 W/U MOO/OOO 8/

Russell Clark is 33 years old; height, 6 ft. ¾ in.; weight, 167 lbs.; medium build, gray slate eyes, dark chestnut hair, dark complexion; occupation, teller; has brown scar in middle of back; body is covered with small moles. Fingerprint classification: (15) 13/29 U/U OOO/OOI /12

Harry Pierpont is 39 years old; height, 6 ft. 1 in.; weight, 162 lbs.; gray slate eyes, light chestnut hair, light

classification: (31) O/I 14/32 R/ O/O O/I

Edward Shouse is 30 years old; height, 5 ft. 7½ in.; weight, 150 lbs., medium blue eyes, medium chestnut hair, medium dark complexion, medium build. Fingerprint classification (22) M/L 1/1 R/UR 10/10?

John Hamilton is 40 years old; height, 5 ft. 8¼ in.; weight, 160 lbs.; dark slate eyes, light chestnut hair, light complexion, medium build. Fingerprint classification: (12) O/I 29/19 O/O 13/13 (right index and middle fingers amputated).

WILBUR UNDERHILL (5499). Bank bandit. A reward of \$350 has been offered for the arrest and delivery of this man in any jail in the United States to an authorized officer of the Kansas state penitentiary at Lansing, from which he escaped on May 30, 1934.

Underhill was serving a life term for first degree murder. Any information regarding his location should be forwarded to the nearest Burns' office. If arrested, both our agents and Warden Lucy M. Simpson of the Kansas state penitentiary at Lansing, Kansas, should



WILBUR UNDERHILL

Underhill is 30 years old; height, 5 ft. 11 $\frac{1}{4}$ in.; weight, 170 lbs.; medium large build, dark complexion, light brown hair, gray eyes; occupation, electrician; has vaccination scar on upper left arm; two teeth gone at upper front left side; a gunshot scar on back of neck at lower center, and moles on face and neck. Fingerprint classification: 16/32 R/W O/OO



ROY A. JOHNSON



CHARLES COTTNER



WHITEY WALKER

AS anticipated in our issue on pp. 6 and 7 of our November issue, WHITEY WALKER (5537), alias Walter Anderson, lost no time in resuming a career of bank robbery following his escape from the state prison at McAlester, Okla., where he was serving a life term. In fact, he evidently persuaded his two fellow prisoners who escaped with him to assist in the holdup of a Palestine, Texas, bank since photographs of all three were positively identified as participants in the robbery.

Three men, ROY A. JOHNSON (5472), alias R. A. Greggery, C. W. Ward, Homer Watt, Roy Sexton, and IRVIN THOMPSON (5473), alias "Jackie" Thompson, John Thompson, were serving life terms for murder at the time of their escape. Any information concerning their location should be promptly forwarded to our agents' office. The three are wanted

by the sheriff at Palestine, Texas, and by the warden of the Oklahoma state prison. They may be driving any of the following cars: 1933 Ford V-8 standard coupe, black with black wire wheels, Texas license No. 4177, motor No. 444749; 1933 Ford V-8, standard sedan, blue with black wire wheels, Texas license No. 4150, motor No. 458145; 1933 Ford V-8, maroon color sedan, Texas license No. 385374; 1933 Ford V-8, coach, gray color, Texas license No. 466573. Descriptions:

Walker is 39 years old; height, 5 ft. 9 in.; weight, 162 lbs.; medium build, auburn hair, blue eyes, medium complexion; occupation, farmer. Fingerprint classification: (11) 1/1 T/Ra 5/4

Johnson is 27 years old; height, 5 ft. 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ in.; weight, 172 lbs.; medium build, black hair, brown eyes, medium dark complexion; occupation, ball player. Fingerprint classification: (5) 1/1 Aa/aA2a 3/2

Thompson is 41 years old; height, 5 ft. 8 $\frac{1}{4}$ in.; weight, 140 lbs.; medium build, black hair, gray eyes, dark complexion; occupation, shoemaker. Fingerprint classification: (20) 13/17 R/R OO/OO 21/23

CHARLES COTTNER (5545). Bank robber. A former inmate of the state penitentiary at Little Rock, Ark., Cottner is wanted for the holdup of a

Stuttgart, Ark., bank. Any information leading to his arrest should be promptly forwarded to our agents' nearest office. Sheriff McAllister at Stuttgart holds a warrant for his arrest.

Description: 33 years old; height, 6 ft. 1 in.; weight, 180 lbs.; blue eyes, dark hair, stoop-shouldered, has pleasant smile. *(62-24777-52)*



ROBERT W. HOLMES

A DANGEROUS bandit, who operates alone, has been active and amazingly successful in Los Angeles since 1932. This man, ROBERT W. HOLMES (5502), alias B. C. Holmes, Woodrow Holmes, in addition to other robberies, held up the same branch of a Los Angeles bank on three different occasions. Several warrants have been issued for his arrest and any information regarding him should be communicated to our agents' nearest office.

Description: 25 years old; height, 5 ft. 11 in.; weight, 168 lbs.; blue eyes, reddish brown hair. Fingerprint classification: O/I 12/13 UOO/RII 14/12

Fake Claim Agent

POSING as a claim agent, a persistent crook was active recently in numerous western cities with bogus sight drafts purporting to be drawn on various railroad companies. He used the name: H. SKILLE (5505).

alias O. Hollingworth, W. Backeberg, R. Babb, E. Pugh, H. Powers, P. Eddy, N. Nelson, G. Eaton, Roy Miller, G. Bounds, G. Davis, P. P. Dorsey, G. Malone, Calvin Gillispie. He drew against the Chicago Burlington & Quincy Railroad Co., the St. Louis-San Francisco Railway Co., the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railway Co., the Southern Pacific Co., and the Union Pacific Railway.

Working a bank, this crook draws a draft on his supposed employers, payable to the bank with which he is dealing. He leaves the draft for collection, and obtains a receipt and, if possible, a checkbook. Then he passes checks for various amounts on local merchants by displaying the receipt as identification. As yet no bank has reported being defrauded by him, but we wish again to call the attention of all members to the dangers in the practice of handing out checkbooks or blank checks promiscuously to strangers in return for initial deposits of out-of-town checks or drafts. This generous

practice is unwarranted and cannot increase the good-will of customers or others on checks which bounce back marked, "drawn against uncollected funds." Also, our records reveal several instances where swindlers have defrauded banks out of considerable sums by clever use of the checks supplied. Banks should issue receipts only in such cases, and these should be marked "issued against uncollected funds". Attempts to erase or alter the receipt should be noted.

Members are also warned to be on the alert for this fake claim agent.

He is 30 to 35 years old; height, 5 ft. 8 to 10 in.; weight, about 150 lbs.; dark brown hair, brown eyes; sometimes wears glasses; is reasonably well dressed; has the appearance of an Italian or a Greek, but does not speak with an accent.

signature appearing on them checked with the signature, "E. H. Hobbs," purporting to be that of a bank officer which appeared on checks negotiated last spring by WILLIAM BOWEN (4703), we believed that Bowen negotiated the first few of these checks. Before the arrest of Grubbs, we learned that he was not Bowen, but a marked similarity in the handwriting on their checks indicates that Grubbs was an accomplice of Bowen several months ago.

Any of Grubbs' victims desirous of prosecuting him should have detainer warrants forwarded to Supt. Charles P. Pray, Oregon state police at Salem.

Although Grubbs' check passing career has been interrupted, Bowen continues to circulate checks bearing the name of the United States National Bank, Portland, Ore. This form has a yellow background which is printed on white paper in an attempt to imitate safety paper. "United States National Bank" appears at the top in old English type, and below in smaller type are the words "Affiliated with Chase National Bank, New York, N. Y." "Traveler Check" is printed below this and "Twenty Dollars" is in the center of the check in large type. The following notation also appears: "This check is protected by the Bankers Protective Association." The checks are signed "R. M. Alton" at the lower right, and below this are the words "Issued by United States National Bank, Portland, Ore." On the counter-signature lines at the upper and lower left and right, Bowen filled in the alias "Asco L. Cates".

These checks were passed recently in Nebraska, Iowa and Missouri, but all members are urged to be on the lookout for Bowen and, wherever possible, to warn merchants and other customers against him. If he is taken into custody, notify our agents' New York office by wire. Bowen is wanted by the police at Bridgeport, Conn., Harrisburg, Pa., Jacksonville, Fla., and other cities. A state warrant is held by the chief of police at St. Joseph, Mo., against Bowen with embezzlement of a new model Ford V-8 coupe, number 354131, Missouri license No. 1424, which he secured December 1, 1933, by depositing a bogus \$20 travel check with a drive-it-yourself garage.

Descriptions: Bowen is 4 ft. 10 in. tall, height 5 ft. 10 in.; weight 165 lbs.; complexion, gray eyes, left eye blue; hair, dark brown; mustache, short; goatee, short; teeth, good.

Grubbs is 33 years old; height 5 ft. 10 in.; weight 150 lbs.; complexion, light; hair, dark brown; eyes, brown; teeth, good.

Grubbs and Bowen, Travel Checks

A FAKE travel check passer, JOHN GRUBBS (5505), alias John Burton, was arrested recently in Portland, Oregon and was returned to Baker County, Ore., for prosecution.

The gasoline station operator who accepted his bogus paper deposited it in the First National Bank of Baker, Ore., and had presence of mind enough to note the license number on Grubbs' automobile, which was issued in Oklahoma. Joseph Rogers, cashier of the First National Bank in Baker, recognized the paper as being bogus and immediately notified the Oregon state police, the Burns Portland office and the Oregon Bankers Association. As a result, Grubbs was arrested at Crown Point, Ore., by a Oregon state trooper. According to Theo. P. Cramer, Jr., secretary of the Oregon Bankers Association, "he was picked up within five hours of the time the message was broadcast, and at a point about 320 miles from where the message originated. Again we have proof of the value of our state police."

Grubbs operated extensively on fake travel checks ostensibly issued by the First National Bank of Ch



JOHN GRUBBS



Victimizes Three Out of Four

TWO check-kiters recently mulcted three Dallas banks of considerable sums by a forged certified check swindle.

The operators used the names A. LEMIS (5494) alias Mario Inigo, and E. MONTUORI (5495), when opening accounts with cash at several Dallas banks.

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Montuori*

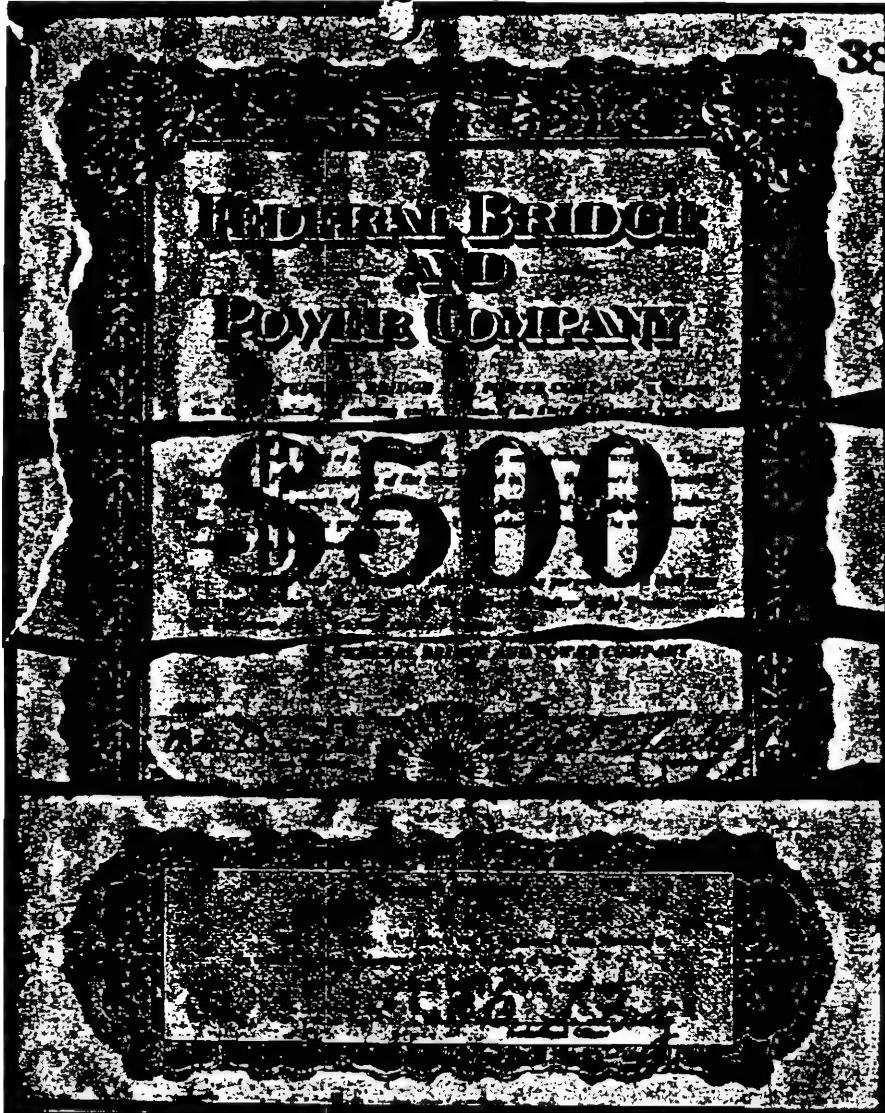
Their accounts were kept active for some time with cash deposits and withdrawals, also by kiting checks between the various accounts. Both men made it a point to transact business with one particular teller in each bank. After the confidence of the various tellers had been secured, most of the cash was withdrawn. Then Lemis cashed at four banks on the same day and deposited at each bank a check made payable to his order for a large sum. These four checks were drawn on and ostensibly certified by another local institution. At the same time, Lemis presented a personal check for encashment, which was drawn for about \$400 in each case. In three instances the tellers accommodated him, but the teller in the fourth bank hesitated and, of course, Lemis quickly left the bank. This aroused the teller's suspicion and upon communicating with the bank on which the certified check was drawn, the certification was found to be a forgery. It was then learned that the checks deposited in the three other banks also bore forged certifications.

Further inquiry disclosed that Montuori had a \$20 check certified at the bank on which the forged items were drawn, and it is believed that the certification on this check was used as a model for the forged certification stamp.

Bankers who place too much faith in the magic word "certified" may find themselves duped by these men.

Lemis is 50 years old; height, 5 ft. 6 in.; weight, 160 lbs.; dark complexion; Italian.

Montuori is 40 years old; height, 5 ft. 10 in., weight, 165 lbs.; has dark swarthy complexion, is clean shaven, and stoop-shouldered; Italian.



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Fraudulent Bond

A FRAUDULENT \$500 bond ostensibly payable at the Keswick National Bank of Glenside, Pa., was recently called to our attention. This bond bears the name of the Federal Bridge and Power Company and purports to be secured by a trust indenture.

The Glenside bank advises that one EDMUND S. FRITZ (5503) called about a year ago, claiming to be a representative of the Federal Bridge and Power Company. He said that the firm had offices in Philadelphia and New York, also Boston, and he intended opening a corporation account with the bank. Fritz never returned and the Glenside bank heard nothing further from him, but recently several inquiries were received concerning payment of coupons of Federal Bridge and Power Company bonds. The bank was equally ignorant of the issuance of these promotion.

securities and was unaware that its name had been used. On the bond reproduced here, the name E. E. S. Fritz is signed on the trustee's certificate which bears the name of Central Jersey Power Company.

CAREFUL —

NO bank has yet reported being defrauded through the negotiation of these instruments, but members are warned to be on the alert for them. It appears that Fritz has been engaged in several questionable stock promotion schemes and caution should be exercised by bankers and others in any dealing with him.

Description: 62 years old; short, heavy set, speaks with a Pennsylvania Dutch accent, quotes authors and the Classics, and talks pleasing blue sky talk.

Bogus Cashier's Checks

A VETERAN swindler J. B. SAUNDERS (2370), alias S. E. Clayton, Charles H. Williamson, Charles Henry Hamilton, D. L. Morgan, etc., last reported on p. 3 of our July issue, is still active. Recent reports placed him in Iola, Kans., and Ann Arbor, Mich.

This old crook is still using cashier's checks ostensibly issued by the non-existent Merchants National Bank of Bridgeport, Neb. The check passed in Iola is almost identical with that described in our July article. It is printed on safety paper, bears the bank name in old English type at the top, and is numbered 1234 in red ink in the upper left corner. The words "Cashier's Check" are printed in red ink in the lower left corner. The item is filled in with a typewriter and checkwriter, made payable to D. L. Morgan for \$20, and signed "J. E. Paugh, Cashier."



Doubtless Saunders had a number of these forms printed and will continue to pass them until his supply is exhausted. Our records reveal that the name "Merchants National Bank" has always been a favorite with him since it appears on many of the bad checks which he has passed. For years he was active with checks purporting to be issued by



J. B. SAUNDERS

the fictitious Merchants National Bank of Farwell, Texas.

At present he seems to be confining his operations to merchants, and they should be warned to be on the alert for his fake forms. Banks should beware since he may attempt to swindle them.

In addition to check swindles against banks and merchants, Saunders has also worked a confidence game on individuals, giving them bad checks for valuable securities. Numerous warnings concerning him have appeared in this Section and on p. 4 of our June, 1929, issue we reported his arrest in St. Louis. At that time he had numerous letters typewritten on letterheads of non-existent banks and addressed to himself. They pertained to mortgages or cash transactions between him and imaginary officers of fictitious banks.

If Saunders puts in an appearance, he should be detained for questioning by local police, and our agents' nearest office promptly notified. Chief of Police R. A. Miller, White Sulphur Springs, W. Va., holds a warrant for his arrest.

Description: 54 years old; height, 5 ft. 6½ in.; weight, 165 lbs.; medium build, medium chestnut hair turning gray; ruddy complexion; may wear shell rimmed glasses.

opened a personal account with a supposedly certified check for \$1,000 on an Evansville, Ind., bank. He was permitted to draw \$150 against it before telegraphic advice told that it was a forgery.

Doubtless he has victimized many individuals who have not reported their losses to us. Therefore, members are urged to display his photograph to any depositor whom he may have defrauded. If he has victimized your bank or one of your depositors, full details should be reported to our agents' nearest office and they will advise where detainer warrants should be lodged. He is wanted at several points and it has not been determined where he will be prosecuted. He is an old offender, being a former inmate of state prisons at Deer Lodge, Mont., Waupun, Wis., Jefferson City, Mo., and the Federal prison at McNeil Island, Wash.



NORMAN FRAZIER

Description: 39 years old; height, 5 ft. 8½ in.; weight, 148 lbs.; light hazel eyes, florid complexion, medium brown and gray hair, medium slender build; American, b. Indiana; small cut scar outer corner left brow, small cut scar right side of head, front inne, at hair line, vaccination scar left upper arm. Fingerprint classification: 1/1 U/U OI/OO 11/1.

AN alert hotel clerk is responsible for the recent arrest of the notorious international crook, DR. ARNOLDO DE BEST (5200), alias Albert Best, Albert Besmanoff, Alfred Best, Jack Kearns, John Singer, Bert Williams, Jack McWilliams, Dr. Albert Stanley Fortune, Barnett Besmanoff, Dr. Robert Murch, William Fortune, Ornaldo De Best, etc. He was last reported on p. 4 of our November issue.

De Best had been a guest at an Akron hotel for several days, and after he checked out the clerk received a circular concerning him which had been mailed by our agents. He recognized the photograph on the circular and notified local police who arrested De Best on November 8. He has since been turned over to the Federal authorities and is awaiting trial at Washington, D. C.

This crook perpetrated check fraud in Germany, Canada, on board transatlantic liners, and throughout the United States. He usually opened accounts at banks to obtain checkbooks, then passed checks on local places before the items deposited were returned marked "no account" or "no funds." Members whose customers have been defrauded by this crook should urge them to communicate with our agents who will advise where detainer warrants should be filed. Although he has a long criminal record, being a third felonious offender, the holding of detainer warrants

Detainer Warrants Wanted

A SMART and persistent swindler, NORMAN FRAZIER (2576) alias R. Frazier, A. G. Loughlin, C. F. Vaughn, Cliff D. Dawson, J. K. Meredith, etc., is again in the toils. His arrest at Fort Wayne, Ind., on November 23 was caused by a prospective "victim."

In recent months, Frazier departed from his usual practice of defrauding banks as described on the front cover of our July issue, and he directed his energies against individuals and firms. Despite the fact that he changed his guise and his method of operation, our agents recognized his handwriting when they received checks which he had used to defraud an individual in Nevada.

In his latest swindles he claimed to be interested in gold mining and he made a practice of giving bogus certified checks in payment for mining property or equipment. He then attempted to secure advances against the certified checks before returns were received. In one instance, he secured about \$270 against a bogus certified check ostensibly issued by the Commercial Savings Bank of Trinidad, Colo.

Readers may remember that when defrauding a bank in Casper, Wyo., Frazier posed as an attorney for a man named John T. Murphy who was engaged to secure an introduction to a local attorney in order to obtain such information concerning the title of land as he



DR. ARNDO DE BEST

against him will help frustrate any attempts for premature release or parole.

Description: 35 years old; height, 5 ft. 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ in.; weight, 240 lbs.; black hair, light brown eyes, medium dark complexion, smooth shaven, round fat face well groomed; has fine personality, wears good clothes and usually a derby hat; has a small vaccination scar on upper outer left arm, cut scar base of left index and middle fingers, small scar on palm of left hand; vaccination scar right arm upper and outer; a number of small cut scars on rear of right thumb; small cut scar on knuckle of right index finger; small brown mole in the center of right cheek, small brown mole on right cheek at 2.0 from lobe of ear; dragon tattooed on chest. Fingerprint classification: 5/19 OO/OO 16/13

ON page 5 of our November issue, we reported the arrest and subsequent release of ARTHUR K. PHILLIPS (5443), alias Art Roy Boyd, a dangerous forger. Since then, Phillips has passed bad paper in various cities, but he was recently arrested in Oklahoma City.

As previously reported, Phillips operated by assuming the name of a bank depositor and registering at a local hotel. In a few days, he would present a check for \$45 or \$50 in payment of his bill. If the hotel management appeared dubious about accepting the check, Phillips would insist that they telephone the



ARTHUR R. PHILLIPS

bank on which the item was drawn in order to ascertain its validity. The bank would usually assure the hotel that it carried an account in that name with a balance larger than the amount of the check, and Phillips would receive the difference between the amount of his hotel bill and the check. When some of his checks were presented at the banks for payment, the forgeries were immediately detected and returned, thus making the hotels the losers; but in other instances, the forgeries were not discovered until the depositors received their cancelled checks, thus victimizing the banks also.

While we doubt that Phillips appeared at banks to cash checks, his latest photograph should be carefully studied. Members are also urged to show his photograph to hotel men who have been swindled in this manner. If Phillips is identified in connection with any other crimes, full details should be reported immediately to our agents' nearest office, and they will advise where detainer warrants should be lodged.

Description: 25 years old; height, 5 ft. 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ in.; weight, 209 lbs.; medium dark brown hair, greenish slate eyes, florid complexion; diagonal cut scar, left middle finger outer, at second joint; horizontal cut scar, 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ in. above right wrist, inner; small mole on right middle finger, outer near base. Fingerprint classification: 32/32 W/W IOM/QOI 21/18

in the Pittsburgh bank. Hannoh was so nervous that he destroyed four checks before he was able to fill one out properly.

Members are warned to be on the alert for this operator and to refrain from cashing his bad paper. We understand that he is now using checks drawn on the Franklin-Washington Trust Company of Newark, although he has no account there.

Description: height, 5 ft. 5 in.; weight, 150 to 160 lbs.; gray mixed hair, full face, and small chin.

H. C. HUNTLEY (5512). Bogus check with forged endorsement; Gaffney, S. C.

The check negotiated by Huntley purports to be drawn by the Myers-Goldberg Cotton Company, "By I.A. Myers," on the First National Bank of Brundidge, Ala., in the amount of \$65. This bank carries no such account, and both H. C. Huntley and I. A. Myers

H. C. Huntley

are unknown to it. Before presenting this item, the swindler forged the endorsement of a good customer of the South Carolina bank. We urge members not to cash uncollected items for strangers even though they ostensibly bear the endorsement of depositors, unless such depositors are communicated with for verification.

Any information concerning Huntley's location should be forwarded to our agents' nearest office.

Description: 30 years old; height, 5 ft. 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ in.; weight, about 150 lbs.

VERNON LAWTON (5513), alias Cleo C. Hewitt. Bogus draft; El Paso, Tex.

This operator opened an account in the El Paso bank by depositing a \$350 check indorsement issued by the Butte Construction and Electric Equipment Company on the Bank of America, N. T. & S. A., San Francisco. The El Paso bank immediately wired the drawee which advised that the draft was unauthorized and they had no authority to honor it. It was then found that the San Francisco offices of the firm ostensibly issuing the item, had been burglarized.

It is probable that Lawton has more of these forms in his possession and he may continue to pass them. Western members are warned to be on the alert for him.

FLORENCE MARTIN (5514). Forged cashier's check; Fort Worth, Texas.

The item which this woman passed purports to be a cashier's check of the First National Bank of St. Louis. It is made payable to her

Florence Martin

order for \$170.30, and is filled in with typewriter and checkwriter. The bank name appears at the top and is followed by an incorrect transit number 32-56. A picture purporting to be that of the bank building is printed at the left side of the check. The words "Cashier's Check" are printed in the lower left corner. The true name of an officer of the bank is signed as cashier, but this officer is not the cashier. Western members are urged to be on the alert for these forms.

WARNINGS

F. M. ABBOTT (5507), alias A. B. Webster, A.W. Webster. Bogus checks in Kentucky and Tennessee.

A person using the above names passed bad paper drawn for small amounts in several Kentucky and Tennessee towns. His checks are ostensibly issued by the Official Railway Advertising Guide Co. of America, Inc., on the American Exchange National Bank of St. Louis. One called to our attention is payable to A. B. Webster and is signed "F. M. Abbott, Secretary-Treasurer." The firm name is printed at the top and the bank name appears in the lower left corner.

Filling stations, apparently the chief victims of this crook, should be warned against him. It is believed that he is traveling in a Ford coupe bearing Georgia license number 31385-D.

J. F. BURROWS (5509). Worthless checks; Gainesville, Ga.

We are advised that he is

1931 model Ford sedan, motor number 4039628, bearing a Georgia license. The sheriff states that he will pay a reward of \$50 for Burrows' arrest with the car or a reward of \$25 for Burrows alone. We are also informed that this operator may display a deposit slip on the Bank of Dahlonega when passing bad paper.

Any information regarding this man's whereabouts should be forwarded direct to Sheriff Lawson, Gainesville, Ga., and to our agents' nearest office.

Description: 55 years old; height, slightly over 6 ft.; slender build, wrinkled face, ruddy complexion, sandy hair, left arm amputated.

P. K. HANNOH (5511). Worthless checks; Newark, N. J.

A Newark member reports that this man opened an account with a check for \$3,500 drawn on the Mellon National Bank of Pittsburgh. The bank wisely refrained from issuing a passbook or checkbook and its caution was lifted when it learned that he had no account

Missing Securities

THE National Bank of Commerce, Norfolk, Va., requests that we publish the following list of stocks and negotiable bonds which, with other securities, disappeared on December 9 from an officer's desk in one of its branches and were apparently stolen:

Crt. CL 139505 for 10 shares S. S. Krege Co. in name of R. Henry Moore
 1 \$500.00 U. S. Treas. Bond 1943/45 No. 88665 E
 2 100.00 do. No. 171595 E & 171596 F
 2 50.00 do. No. 66298 J & 59630 L 3500.00
 6 \$100.00 1st 4 1/4% Liberty Bonds A00134690/94 & C00176053
 1 50.00 do. F00795360 650.00
 2 \$1000.00 Treas. 4 1/4% of 1943/45 No. 83921A & 171698J
 1 500.00 do. No. 22870L 2500.00

Any information concerning the above securities or any attempt to negotiate them should be reported promptly to the National Bank of Commerce at Norfolk.

HENRY T. MEEHAN (5355), alias Harry T. Meehan, W. W. McDonald. Bogus cashier's checks; Washington, D. C.

Last reported on p. 7 of our July issue, ~~Miss~~, is still active with worthless paper. His most recent item is identical with that previously reported except that the address of Continental Bank and Trust Company, the liable issuer of the checks, is given as 130 1 Street, New York, instead of 30 Broad. The item is for \$200.60 and is payable to

W. W. McDonald, and an illegible signature is signed as "Sec. & Treas."

In his previous checks were filled in with a
pencil, typewriter and check writer are used on
this check. A number 448072 is inserted at the
upper left with a rubber stamp, and the words
"Captive Check" are printed at the lower left.

U.S. Bank (440), who deposit L. Morris M. V. Fries. Attempted check frauds; Atlantic City, N. J., and Philadelphia. This operator opened an account with an Atlantic City bank by depositing a \$150 check

Louis Sabor

In Mikens Men and Management Bank
Trust Company, Philadelphia, payable to
and signed, Samuel L. Meyer. On the
following day a telephone call from the drawee
disclosed that this item was drawn against a
check which Sabor, alias Meyer, had used to
draw an amount with the Philadelphia bank.
That check was drawn on the 42nd Street
branch of the Corn Exchange Bank and Trust
Company, New York, which returned it
marked "account." Subsequently, the
Atlantic City bank received a check signed
M. V. Friez, payable to Louis Davis for \$150,
which Sabor had attempted to pass on another
Philadelphia bank.

As far as our records show, this operator has not as yet swindled any bank. But, unless members are on the lookout for his worthless paper, he may do so.

Description: 30 years old; tall, blond, wears glasses, bears smallbox scar.

A NEGRI-windler reported on p. 8 of our October issue, DR. S.E. SIMMIE (S-12).

ture as faring on them be a forgery. Members to be on the alert for to refrain from cashing

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RECENTLY elusive were 3511 in
a depositor in the Gilbert,
Sharon, Pa. Two small amounts Bank of
and were called in for
Tahlequah, Okla., returned as
forggeries, although every effort was made to
duplicate the signatures or are.

Members have urged him to alert for the remainder of these stamps state operator who obtained them will do his best to continue to pass them.

Banking Own National Police

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an account with an initial deposit of \$50 cash. Then he deposited an \$80 check on the New

an account with an initial deposit of \$50. Then he deposited an \$80 check on the New Britain National Bank of New Britain, Conn., signed "R. F. Bowles". Later he deposited another check on the same bank for \$164.50, signed "Beacon Realty Company, Inc. by William D. Bragman". The tellers advanced him small sums on each of the checks which were returned marked "account closed". The Morristown bank has since received checks from Richmond, Va., which were evidently cashed by Simms.

It is recalled that Simms has previously cultivated negro ministers upon arrival in strange cities and, after worming his way into their confidence, induced them to endorse his bad paper. Members are urged to be on the lookout for Simms and to caution colored deputations to refrain from dealing with him.

Description: 15 years old, British, 6 ft. 2 in.,
very strong build.

Time Gardener's Station

THE Kanawha Valley Bank, Charleston,
W. Va., reports that its fine certificates
Nos. 1044 to 1038 inclusive have been lost,
misled or stolen. They disappeared from a
pad which is in current use, but they were not
signed or filled in. They are plainly marked in
the lower left corners. "Government regulations
prohibit the payment of this certificate before
maturity or interest thereon after maturity."

The drawee will not be liable since any signa-

photographs of Phillips were quickly procured by our agents in Ohio⁴ and were submitted to recent victims in Washington, D. C., who made positive identifications. Further investigation, including an exhaustive search of automobile license records, eventually trailed Phillips back home in South Carolina, where he was arrested by an investigator from the Burns Atlanta office. Without the comprehensive, nation-wide record of forgeries, bogus and worthless checks classified according to both the modus operandi and the handwriting used in each case—as

agents—the identity of this
group, and many others, would still be a mys-
tery, and his knowledge of politics might have
been confirmed.

Arrests and Dispositions

~~THE detailed record of assets and dispositions is omitted due to lack of space, but the figures are taken into account in the following table:~~

Statistics of the Protective Department

Awaiting Trial Sept. 1, 1933	Arrests			Dispositions			Actual Total Dis. 1, 1933
	Reported Since Aug. 31, 1933	Reported in November, 1933	Total	Convicted	Discharged or Acquitted	Fugitives Escaped, Insane or Dead	
Forgers, etc.	37	14	20	8	1	1	47
Burglars	13	0	0	2	1	0	15
Bandits	115	29	40	23	18	2	113

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January 16, 1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

I called Mr. Purvis last night and advised him that Mr. Walter Boston and Mr. O'Boil of the Home Loan Board at Washington had called the Division and stated Mr. Henry Zander, State Manager in Chicago, Illinois of the Home Loan Board, had a number of cases in which he wanted the Division's cooperation.

Mr. Purvis was requested to contact Mr. Zander and offer every possible assistance in matters in which the Division had jurisdiction. Mr. Purvis stated that he had met Mr. Zander two or three days ago and that Agent Biernacki was now conducting a number of investigations submitted by Mr. Zander; that he would see to it that Mr. Zander was given every consideration.

Incidentally, Mr. Purvis stated that he had been out of the office all afternoon on a raid; that they had received information indicating that Billinger, who was released from jail at Lima, Ohio by the principals who escaped from the Indiana State Penitentiary, was located at a certain address, but the raid proved unsuccessful in locating him.

Respectfully,

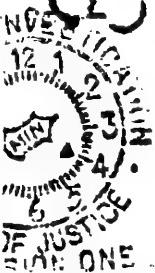
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2900 Bankers Blkgs.,
Chicago, Illinois
January 18, 1934.

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Dear [Redacted]

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Frankly yours, etc.,

Very truly yours,

W. E. Purvine
Special Agent in Charge

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RE: HARRY PILKOFF, with alias, et al.
DET. BOST. VICE TRIBUNAL ACT - Member of gang
known as Barker, Karpis gang, fugitives from Louisiana State Prison.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

BETROIT, MICHIGAN

FILE NO.

26-5547

REPORT MADE AT:	DATE WHEN MADE:	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE:	REPORT MADE BY:
Chicago, Ill.	1/10/34	1/8, 9, 10/34	W.H. [redacted]
HARRY AIRPORT, with [redacted]		DETROIT, MICHIGAN, CITY OF Sault Ste. Marie, State of Michigan, Date, File No. 26-5547	
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:</p> <p>[redacted]</p> <p>Investigation disclosing that John HAMILTON's mother, Sarah HAMILTON, died about a year ago and Rose HAMILTON, subject's brother, was sentenced in April, 1931 and sent to Marquette Branch of the Michigan State prison.</p> <p>[redacted]</p> <p>John HAMILTON, alias [redacted] (police) Saml. Gte. Marie promised full cooperation. BILLINGER suspected of having been in South Bend, Ind., 12/25/33 and in Mishawaka, Ind., 1/3/34. No trace of him now known. Anonymous tip that he was in Chicago on 1/11/34 [redacted]</p> <p>[redacted]</p> <p>Report of Special Agent in Charge, Detroit, November 4, 1933 and of Special Agent Devereux, Chicago, Illinois, December 30, 1933.</p> <p>DETAILS: At Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan.</p> <p>DID: Agent interviewed [redacted] who advised that Rose and not Ray HAMILTON, brother of subject JOHN HAMILTON, was sentenced to the Marquette Branch of the Michigan State prison in April, 1931 for breaking and entering Freedman Cigar Store in Sault Ste. Marie, and that Mrs. Sarah HAMILTON died the first part of 1933 by the Underwood.</p> <p>COPIES OF THIS REPORT FURNISHED TO:</p> <p>S-Division B-Detroit 1-St. Louis 1-Cincinnati 3-Chicago (1 for File 62-1701)</p> <p>COPIES DESTROYED: 270 AM 31 1934</p> <p>JAN 17 1934 AM</p> <p>ROUTED BY: [initials] FILE: [initials]</p> <p>RECORDED ON: JAN 22 1934</p>			

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He advised that he was in touch with subject JOHN HAMILTON about twenty years ago; that Hamilton left the Soo about ten years ago, at which time he was engaged in the bootlegging business and was wanted then for violation of the National Prohibition Act. He advised that subject Hamilton's brother, Foye, not Jay, was sentenced to the Marquette Branch of the Michigan State prison, last April, 1933 and that Mrs. Sarah Hamilton, mother of subject Hamilton, died early last Spring; that Mrs. Isaac Stove, sister of subject Hamilton, is still residing at 1724 Chestnut street, which is only about four or five blocks away from his station. [REDACTED] advised that Mrs. Stove has been married twice, her first husband passing dead; that she has about five or six children by her first husband, the oldest girl being married and the others not yet tall where she is living and the youngest child being about eight years old.

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HAMILTON was very well acquainted in this country and everybody knew him; that he bootlegged within a radius of one hundred and fifty miles and he felt that if it got too "hot" for him in Ohio, Illinois and Indiana, he might return to the Soo. He stated he would know JOHN, no matter where he saw him and in the event he received any information at all regarding his possible whereabouts, he would communicate with the Chief of Police to notify the Chicago Office. He stated the papers had carried articles about JOHN HAMILTON and that there were lots of people in the neighborhood who would be only too glad to report him in the event he ever does show up at the Soo.

Agent interviewed Mr. E. H. Mitchell, Chief of Police, who advised that he was thoroughly familiar with JOHN HAMILTON'S activities and his escape at Michigan City, Indiana, and that he had been on the lookout for him. Agent, with the Chief of Police, checked the City Telephone Directory, issue for July, 1938, and found the name of Mrs. Agnes Steve, 1714 Chestnut Street, telephone number 2151. Mr. Mitchell advised that Subject Hamilton had a brother by the name of Claude, who moved away from the Soo over twenty years ago and got married and has a family and the last he heard of him he was living at Gary, Indiana, but he has no information that Claude is still living there.

Mr. Mitchell further advised that JOHN had another brother by the name of Bill Hamilton, who was older than John and he left the Soo many years ago and he has no information where he might be. He stated that there is no Ray Hamilton; that the proper name is Poye and he is serving time at Marquette for breaking and entering Freedman's Cigar Store. He also advised that Mrs. Sarah Hamilton, mother of Subject Hamilton, died last Spring and Mrs. Steve is the only one now residing at the Soo. He also advised that he did not believe Agnes would know anything about where John is and that he did not believe that John would let her know. Mr. Mitchell stated that there are people living in the neighborhood, who will advise him immediately upon receipt of information of value looking towards the apprehension of JOHN. For this reason, Agent did not deem it advisable to contact Mrs. Steve for fear it would spoil plans already laid and too, that the Chief of Police felt that Mrs. Steve would not be possessed of any information as to where subject Hamilton might be at the present time.

Mr. Mitchell stated that he would cooperate with the Division and the law enforcement officials in apprehending Subject HAMILTON and would notify the Chicago Office in the event he received any information of value.

Agent viewed the premises of Mrs. Story and found the same to be situated upon a high hill and is a two-story house and the only one on the top of the hill. It overlooks all the other houses in the immediate vicinity.

At this time, no attempt will be made to interview Faye Hamilton, who is serving time at Marquette, as it is felt that the warden of that institution will take such action should Faye send out or receive information concerning subject HAMILTON.

At South Bend and Mishawaka, Indiana

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent W. M. Devanney:

Chief of Police John D. Kuepers of South Bend, Indiana informed Agent that on Christmas Day, 1933, he was informed by a woman informant that she had seen JOHN DILLINGER in South Bend, Indiana on that day, but by the time the information had been forwarded to the Chief, no trace of DILLINGER could be found, since it was not known where he might have been staying.

On January 5, 1934, Agent received information that a filling station operator at Mishawaka, Indiana might have some information of value in this case.

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Agent interviewed [REDACTED] Highway, Indiana, and he stated that at about 7:00 P.M. on Wednesday, January 8, 1934, while he was at the station, two men and a blonde woman entered and asked to use the telephone. The blonde woman called a number east of Mishawaka, Indiana and the talk indicated that she was trying to induce another woman on the other end of the wire to meet her and her escorts. [REDACTED] stated that he was at once taken by the appearance of the shorter of the two men, and that this man stood behind the woman at the telephone and appeared to be dictating what she should say over the telephone. The other man, described as being larger, engaged [REDACTED] in conversation, apparently for the purpose of keeping him occupied so that he could not overhear the telephone conversation, since the telephone was in the open and a conversation held in the office could be overheard. According to [REDACTED] the person being called apparently stated that she was engaged, whereupon the blonde woman told her that if she could get free in an hour to meet her and the two men at the Lincolnway Inn, located at the extreme eastern part of Mishawaka, Indiana on the Lincoln Highway. The blonde, concluding the conversation, called another telephone number in South Bend, according to [REDACTED] and there talked to a woman living on North Allen Street. [REDACTED] stated that the name called sounded to him like

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"Waffle". He could not, however, hear all of the conversation, other than that the person on the other end of the line apparently stated he had had to move hurriedly that day.

[REDACTED] stated that while the blonde woman was talking, the short man, who had been telling her what to say, walked over to him and asked for some change, some nickels, and when he reached in his pocket for the coins, he wanted change, [REDACTED] got the impression that the man had a pocketful of bills. Also, when he moved from one pocket to the other, his suit coat slipped away from his shoulder a trifle and [REDACTED] saw what appeared to be the butt of a sawed-off shotgun lying in a holster on the man's shoulder.

Shortly thereafter the man left the station and went across the street, where a new Chevrolet sedan or coach was parked, got in and drove off. After a little while, while [REDACTED] was debating what to do, two members of the Mishawaka, Indiana Police came into the gas station. At the same time and [REDACTED] related his experience to them. They went to the Police Headquarters and obtained some photographs of the Indiana Prison escapees and returned and showed them to [REDACTED] who stated he positively identified the photograph of JOHN DILLINGER as being the shorter of the two men who had been in his station with the blonde woman. He stated he told the officers that he believed the trio were going to the Lincolnway Inn, but later he found out that the police did not go to the Inn; however, the Prosecutor of the town learned about the matter and induced one Mr. Kelly, the possessor of a Deputy Sheriff badge for St. Joseph County, to go to the Lincolnway Inn. According to [REDACTED] Kelly went to the Inn and looked at the Chevrolet automobile which he had described to the police and also went into the Inn, but could find no trace of the three people. According to [REDACTED] the Inn has a basement room accessible only by women escorted by men.

Later, through arrangements made with [REDACTED] to have Kelly leave the license number of the car with the Sheriff at South Bend, Indiana, Agent learned that the license was for Illinois, 1933, no. 862-945.

Agent interviewed [REDACTED] manager of the Telephone Company at South Bend, Indiana, but he stated that it would not be possible to make any trace of the telephone number given through [REDACTED] Mishawaka, Indiana, since the phone is a coin box set.

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At Chicago, Illinois.

Special Agent W. F. Miller, supervisor from the Fabians Bureau of the Chicago Police Department, that 1933 Illinois license plates No. 862-940 had been issued to C. W. Watson, Receiver, Elkhorn Coal Corporation, 1014 Strauss Building, Chicago, Illinois, for a Chevrolet motor No. 2682450, Serial No. SCADG-55004.

Efforts to locate and interview Mr. Watson concerning this matter were unsuccessful, due to the fact that Mr. Watson was out of the city. Further efforts will be made to locate him and interview him concerning the location of his automobile and license plates on January 3, 1934.

About 4:00 P.M., January 11, 1934, a woman who refused to give her name, called the Chicago Division Office and advised that JOHN DILLINGER at that time was living on the third floor at 2410 West Congress Street, Chicago, and that there was a blonde woman with him and they were preparing to leave for Kentucky at 5:00 P.M.

Special Agent in Charge H. H. Purvis, with Special Agents T. E. Billings, J. L. Madala, Ma. C. Ryan, W. A. Smith, accompanied by Sergeant C. W. Kempster of the Illinois State Police, Lieutenant John Howe of the Chicago Police Department and several of his men, and Sergeant Walsh of the State's Attorney's Office with several of his men, proceeded to this address and on raiding the place failed to find any evidence of DILLINGER ever having been there. It appeared the apartment on the third floor was occupied by several Greek individuals, who had just moved into the apartment about one hour previously.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

THE DETROIT OFFICE.

THE CHICAGO OFFICE.

At Chicago, Illinois, will interview C. W. Watson, Receiver, Elkhorn Coal Corporation, 1014 Strauss Building, to ascertain if his license plates, 1933 Illinois No. 862940, have been stolen; if not, whether his car with these plates was in Mishawaka, Indiana on January 3, 1934.

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JANUARY 19, 1934.

M. H. PURVIS
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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b7c HARRY PIERPOINT JOHN DILLINGER ET AL NMVTA TELEPHONE OPERATOR SEVENTY SEVEN CHICAGO MADE THREE UNSUCCESSFUL ATTEMPTS TO COMPLETE CALLS AT SEVEN THIRTY COMMA EIGHT AND NINE OCLOCK LAST NIGHT FOR ANYONE ROOM FIVE TWENTY NINE CHELSEA HOTEL HERE TELEPHONE CHELSEA THREE DASH THREE SEVEN HUNDRED ROOM OCCUPIED BY [REDACTED] AND FOUR OTHERS CALL POSSIBLY COMPLETED LATER THROUGH BOOTH TELEPHONE CHELSEA HOTEL NUMBER WATKINS NINE DASH NINE TWO ONE EIGHT UNSUCCESSFUL TRACING LATTER CALL HERE

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT DETROIT, MICH.

St. Louis FILE NO. 86-4108

REPORT MADE AT:	DATE WHEN MADE:	PURPOSE FOR WHICH MADE:	REPORT MADE BY:
St. Louis, Mo.	1-19-34	1-8-34	R. L. DETHRICH
HARRY PIERPONT, MICH. MURDER		RELD:M	
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:</p> <p>b7c</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p> <p>Detrich apprehended at Chicago.</p> <p>1-20-34</p> <p>H.D.</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p> <p>Report of Special Agent R. L. Dethrich, St. Louis, Mo., 1-2-34.</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p> <p>REFERENCE:</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p> <p>DETAILS:</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p> <p>b7c</p> <p>Recent associated press dispatches reported the arrest of Detrich in Chicago, Ill. on January 7, 1934.</p> <p>Under date of January 8, 1934 the Chicago Division office advised, by a letter to the division in the case entitled JOHN KLUYAS, with aliases, Fugitive, I. D. #1178, that on January 7, 1934 one Paul Stroad was arrested by State Police Officers at 6019 S. 24th St., Bellerville, Ill. and later identified through fingerprints and admissions as subject Walter Detrich.</p> <p>There being no further investigation in this District, this case is being</p> <p>REFERRED UPON COMPLETION TO OFFICIAL DIVISION</p> <p>RECORDED AND INDEXED</p> <p>SEARCHED AND SERIALIZED</p> <p>FILED</p> <p>COPIES OF THIS REPORT FURNISHED:</p> <p>3 Division 2 Detroit 1 Cincinnati 1 Chicago</p> <p>APPROVED AND FORWARDED:</p> <p>2 St. Louis</p> <p>222-175</p> <p>JAN 22 1934 AM</p> <p>ROUTED BY: J.W. T. FILE: 1</p> <p>JAN 23 1934 ACCEPTED</p> <p>COPIES DESTROYED</p> <p>170 Aug 31 1964</p>			

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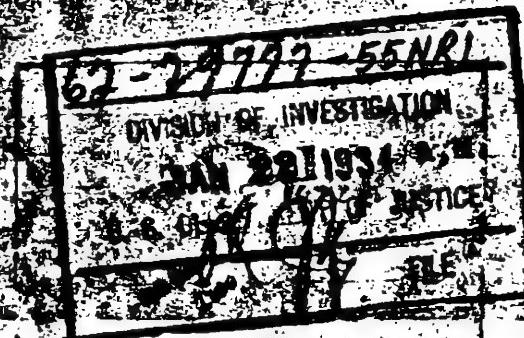
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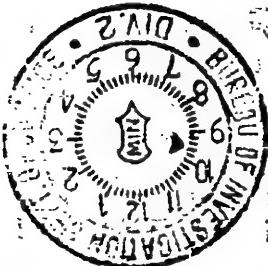
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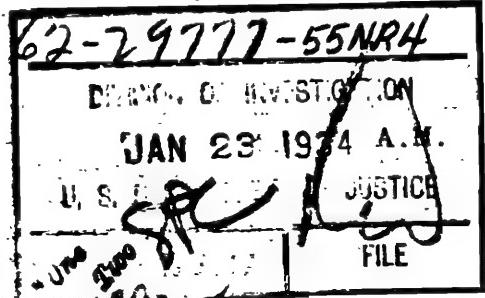
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HARRY PIERPONT ET AL UNABLE ASCERTAIN IMMEDIATELY WHEREABOUTS [REDACTED] AND STOP.
[REDACTED] LOCAL ATTORNEY HAS APPARENTLY BEEN ABSENT FROM NEW ORLEANS MOST OF TIME DURING
PAST SEVERAL MONTHS STOP CONSIDERABLE INFORMATION REGARDING [REDACTED] IN CASE UNKNOWN
SUBJECTS MRS THELMA GORETZ COX VICTIM KIDNAPPING YOUR FILE SEVEN DASH FIVE TWO
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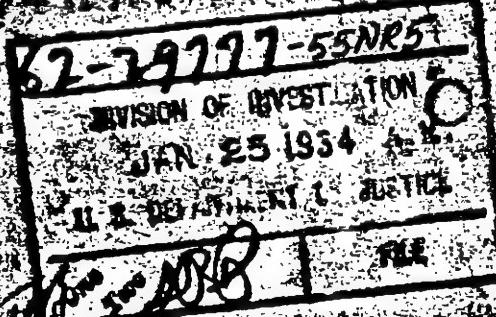
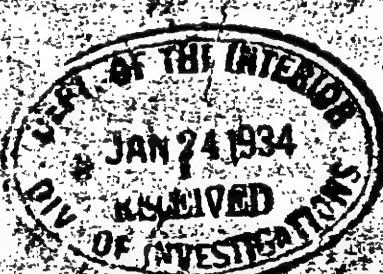
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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
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QUARRY AIRPORT IN KAN., KANSAS STATE SOCIETY MEMPHIS SPOTTED HER NEW STREET IN CHICAGO
SECTION UNABLE LOCATE TONIGHT APPARENTLY NO RECORDS ON RE [REDACTED] SECTION
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COMPANY OF NEW YORK

MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE

JANUARY 26, 1954.

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Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
F. B. I. Department of Justice,
1000 Pennsylvania Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

RANDY PINEAPPLE, with alias, is a
National Motor Vehicle Theft Suspect.

Dear Sir:

Confirming telegram from this office, this is to
advise that there is no record of [REDACTED] or
Memphis, Tennessee; further, there are no realty located on
Plaza Street in Memphis.

Very truly yours,

J. E. MASON, Acting
Special Agent in Charge

cc: Division
Director

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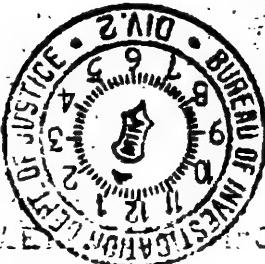
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Division of Advertising
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1500 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington D. C.

RESCUE OF SISTER MARY AND
ESCAPE FROM ASYANNA STATE PRISON

REVIEW OF BOOKS RECEIVED IN THE MONTH OF JUNE 1966

The information contained in this letter was obtained through investigation

On 10 July 1968, New Orleans FBI agents received information from a reliable informant that James W. H. "Whitey" Bulger, Jr., was enroute to New Orleans from Tucson, Arizona, to meet with his associates in Washington, D. C. Bulger was received at 10:30 P.M. 10 July 1968, at the New Orleans International Airport by two men who had been identified as members of the Bulger gang. One man, James J. "Whitey" Bulger, Jr., was driving a dark-colored coupe, and the other man was seated in the front passenger seat. The two men were described as being approximately 5' 8" tall, with dark hair and eyes. They were wearing light-colored shirts and dark trousers.

THE PERSPECTIVE OF THE STUDENT IN THE CLASSROOM
IS ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT ASPECTS OF THE LEARNING PROCESS.
THE STUDENT'S ATTITUDE TOWARD THE SUBJECT MATTER AND THE TEACHER
CAN GREATLY INFLUENCE THE STUDENT'S LEARNING EXPERIENCE.
A STUDENT WHO IS INTERESTED IN THE SUBJECT MATTER AND RESPECTFUL
TOWARD THE TEACHER IS MORE LIKELY TO LEARN AND RETAIN THE INFORMATION.
A STUDENT WHO IS BORED OR ANGRY WITH THE SUBJECT MATTER
IS LESS LIKELY TO LEARN AND RETAIN THE INFORMATION.

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Office and 50% of their labor force. They are now in a bind and are anxious to have you come down to see them. They are worried about their future and concerned about the way they will be received by the public. They are afraid that if you do not come down to see them, they will be forced to close their company or go into trouble. They are also worried about their reputation in New Orleans.

In an effort to provide definitive information concerning the possible presence of the USS HORNET in the area, the Bureau has obtained a number of personal interviews with persons who have been in contact with the ship since her departure from San Francisco. The following is a summary of the information obtained:

ABOVE THE CLOUDS
BY GENE COOPER
A young man's search for meaning in life leads him to the
mysteries of the sky and the stars.

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Discreet inquiry was made in the neighborhood of [REDACTED] and it was learned that the property of [REDACTED] was held by [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] who was in Chicago and had been to New Orleans about a week ago. [REDACTED] also stated that he had seen [REDACTED] in New Orleans about one month ago. [REDACTED] also stated that the individual became suspicious. He further said today he saw [REDACTED] with light hair, slightly bald, rather slender, wearing a dark suit, white shirt and tie. [REDACTED] also stated that he was greatly impressed by [REDACTED] and is particularly interested in him because of his familiarity with the New Orleans police force.

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Following is a copy of the information which was obtained from [REDACTED]

NAME	AGE	HAIR	EYES	MARKS
John	35 yrs	Dark brown	Dark brown (upper eyelid swollen)	
Jack	35 yrs	Dark brown	Dark brown	
Edgar	35 yrs	Dark brown	Dark brown	
James	35 yrs	Dark brown	Dark brown (dark ring around pupil)	
Willie	35 yrs	Dark brown	Dark brown	
Mike	35 yrs	Dark brown	Dark brown	
Joe	35 yrs	Dark brown	Dark brown	
Tommy	35 yrs	Dark brown	Dark brown	

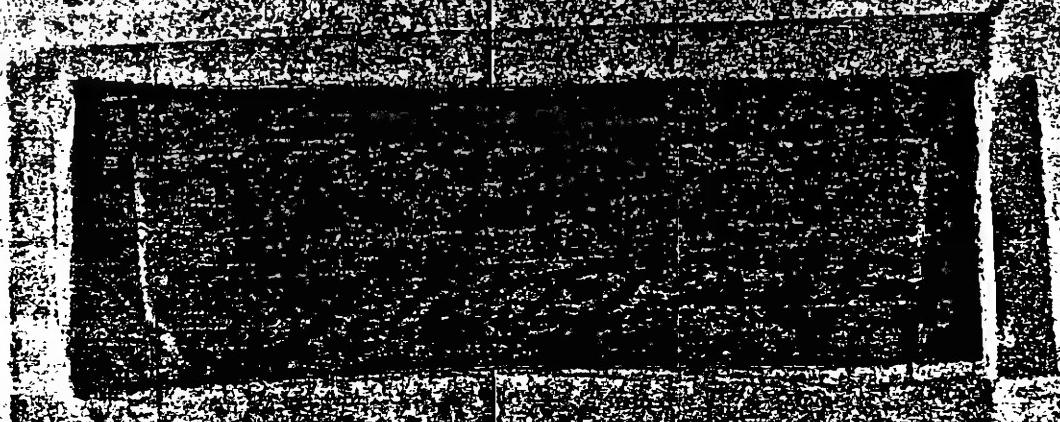
Further investigation is being conducted herein without regard to the fact that the subject has been implicated in the killing of [REDACTED].

This case is referred upon completion to the Office of Attorney General.

Very truly yours,

W. E. VANCE
Special Agent in Charge

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WANTED as an ESCAPE

Escaped from Prison Enclosure, 9-26

Name Russell Clark

No. 2220

Sentenced 12-12-37

County Alameda

Crime Bank Robbery

Term 10 yrs

Age 28

Color White

Height 5'8"

Eyes Brown

W. 160 lbs

Hair Dark

Build Medium

Complexion Light

Occupation Policeman

Marks and Scars

From nose middle back

Body covered with small moles

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

Information has been received from the Los Angeles Office of this Division regarding the apprehension of John Dillinger, Charlie Nash, Russell Clark and Harry Pierpont in Tucson, Arizona, yesterday. At the time of their apprehension they were in possession of four machine guns, several small arms, and approximately \$16,000 in cash. They also had in their possession a Studebaker Club Sedan, a Model Sedan, and a Buick Sedan. The police authorities also arrested with them Mrs. Pierpont, George Thompson and Ray Miller.

You will recall that Charles Nash, Russell Clark and Harry Pierpont were among the two convicts who escaped from the Indiana State Prison September 26, 1933, and shortly thereafter effected the delivery of John Dillinger, their leader, from the County Jail, at Lima, Ohio, where they had served Sheriff Jessie Carter, on October 12, 1933.

Information was obtained by a Special Agent of the Division from the local authorities at Hamilton, Ohio, that some of the band, immediately after their escape, were harbored by a family in Hamilton, Ohio for a period of several weeks. Immediately after the murder of Sheriff Carter, this family disappeared from Hamilton and did not return to Hamilton until early this month when they were in possession of a new Ford Sedan bearing Arizona license plates, and were observed to be spending a large quantity of new money. It was ascertained through the Los Angeles Office of the Division that the Arizona license plates had been issued to this family under their true name, who gave an address in Phoenix, Arizona. Photographs of the escaped convicts were forwarded to the Los Angeles Office for comparative investigation at Phoenix.

On the last completed one originally issued from the Indiana State Prison, three months ago, namely, Joseph Paul Jenkins, Joseph Darrow and John Hamilton. James Clark, one of the convicts was apprehended at Terre Haute, Indiana, on September 17, 1933; Jenkins was killed on September 29, 1933, by a person later identified, Indiana, and Walter Patrick was arrested on January 9, 1934, at Bellwood, Illinois, on the occasion of the apprehension of John Dillinger.

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John Dillinger and his associates have been, since their escape, committing crimes of major character, and are badly wanted by local authorities throughout Indiana and Illinois for bank robbery and murders.

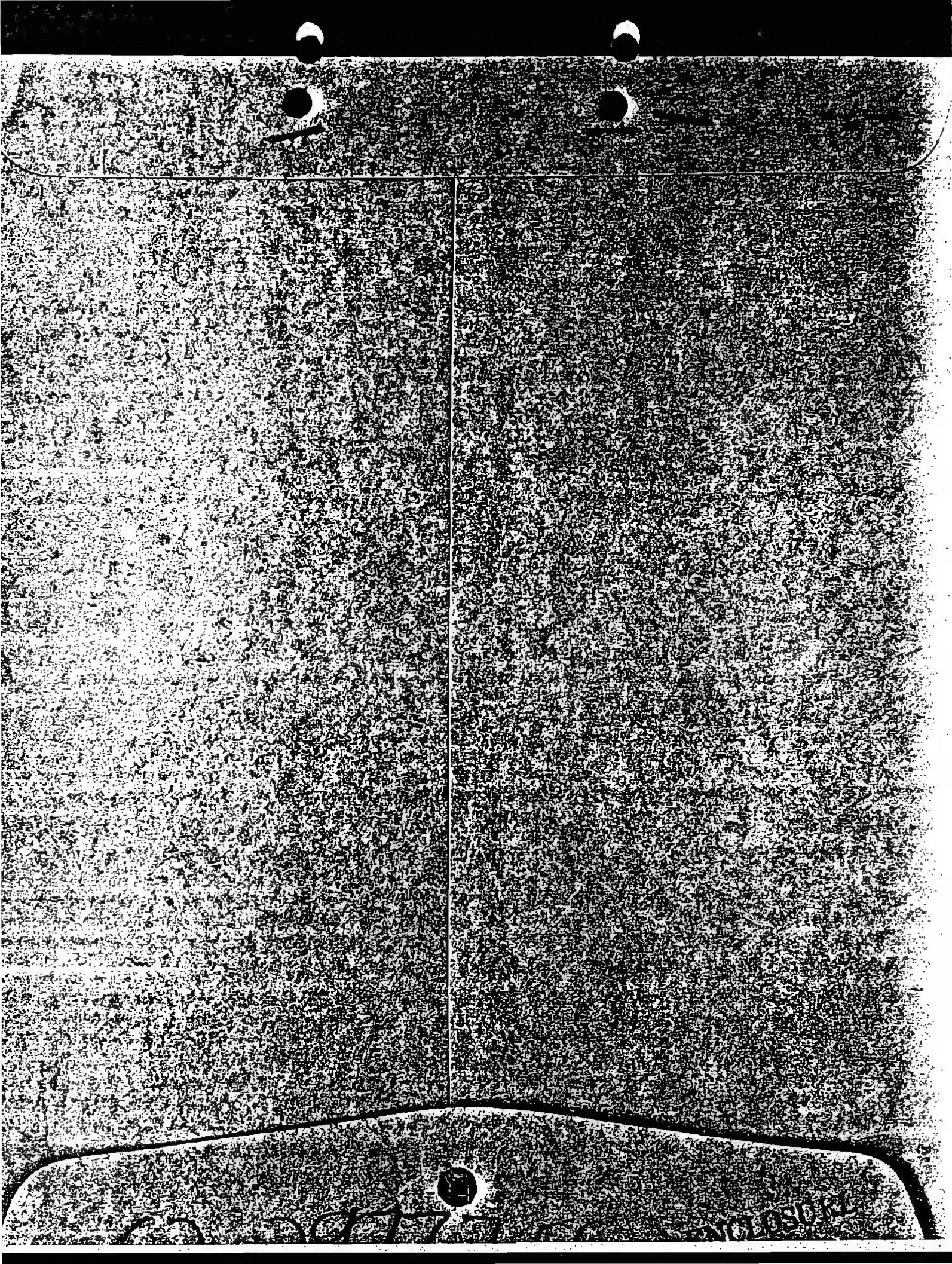
You will be advised as to further developments in this case.

Respectfully,

J. Edgar Hoover

Director.

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January 26, 1934

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. WILLIAM DUGLASS,
THE ASSISTANT TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL.

There is transmitted herewith a copy of my memorandum, furnished to the Attorney General, relative to the apprehension of John Willinger, Charles Bailey, Russell Clark, and Harry Flanagan at Tucson, Arizona, last evening.

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

Director

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UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT DETROIT, MICHIGAN.

FILE NO. 200-247

REPORT MADE AT:	DATE WHEN MADE:	REPORT MADE BY:	REPORT MADE TO:
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS	1/29/34	1/29 TO FBI BUREAU	J. E. CARTER
HARRY PINEPORT WITH ALIAS(es) OR		NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT BUREAU DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, WESLEY GARNETT, COLUMBUS, OHIO; ESCAPE FROM INDIANA STATE PRISON	
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:		<p>Surveillance investigation on [REDACTED] [REDACTED]</p> <p>[REDACTED] on phone 525-3710, Chicago, Illinois, 1/28/34 and info regarding telephone calls to room 325 Chelton Hotel, New York, N. Y., obtained. Information which had been furnished the Chicago Police Department rechecked. Persons at 2nd East Baltimore Place and 1127 Division Street, both unable to identify [REDACTED] or associate with above persons or [REDACTED] or [REDACTED] 1/29/34</p> <p>[REDACTED] indicated that they are not connected with subjects of this file.</p>	
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<p>MEMO</p> <p>APPROVED AND FORWARDED</p> <p>b7c</p>		<p>2-2777-58</p> <p>JAN 27 1934 AM JAN 29 1934</p>	
<p>Divisional</p> <p>Detroit-4</p> <p>Birmingham</p> <p>Jacksonville</p> <p>Chicago</p> <p>New York</p> <p>New Orleans</p> <p>Chicago</p>		<p>SEARCHED..... INDEXED..... SERIALIZED..... FILED..... JAN 27 1934 AM JAN 29 1934</p>	
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Upon receipt of the above telegram Special Agent in Charge
W. H. Purvis contacted Supervisor G. W. Lampster, Illinois State Police who
is assigned to this office and Special Agent Hartley who both of them
above persons made a check at the Rock Island, Illinois, Illinois, from
which place these calls were supposed to have been made.

Agent Martin and Sergeant Kappeler contacted Mr. Charles S. Hamilton, second assistant house officer at the Drake Hotel, and informed him attempted to check the telephone calls mentioned in reference to telegram the effort to check these calls, however, was unsuccessful on the morning of January 19th, and at the following morning Special Agent in Charge Purvis contacted [REDACTED] Filbert Hall, Philadelphia Company, and he advised that a person by the name of [REDACTED] called Parkin 9-2218 New York City, from Superior 2446 room in the Drake Hotel. He also stated that three calls were attempted by different telephone operator No. V7 at 7:30, 8:00 and 8:15 P.M. on the night of 1/19/38 from Room 202 Chelsea Hotel, New York City, telephone New York 5-1234. [REDACTED] however, advised that these calls were not connected.

Agent Hartin is company with Sergeant Kemper again called at the Drake Hotel, Chicago, Illinois, and contacted who in turn called upon the Drake Hotel, and so furnished the following information:

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Arrangements were made through [REDACTED] Manager of the Drake Hotel, to procure a room adjacent to room 604, and room was occupied by Sergeant Lampster and Agent Berlin; the Manager having previously made arrangements with the telephone operator to plug in all calls incoming and outgoing from room 604. In the interim [REDACTED] checked all telephone calls made from room 604, and the same are being listed below.

1/18/34 - 3 calls were made from Room 604 to [REDACTED] to Room 509 Chelsea Hotel, New York City, N.Y. Chelsea 5-3704.
1 call was made by [REDACTED] to Mandeville, Louisiana.

The following are local calls made by [REDACTED] from Room 604, Drake Hotel:

Mon. 1/19 - 2 calls, address 3010 North Avenue, various callers.
Wed. 1/21 - 3547 - 3547 Police Station. This call was made at 12:30 A.M. on 1/20/34.
Sta. 3290 - 7 calls to [REDACTED] 633 No. Michigan Ave., Steamship Agents.
Dale. 6677 - 2 calls to [REDACTED]
Fra. 2100 - 14 calls, Sherman Hotel.
Sta. 6200 - 2 calls, Harris Trust Co., 118 West Monroe Street.
Kit. 2384 - 3 calls.
Tue. 4000 - 15 calls, Art Crafts Guild Corporation, 100 North Michigan Avenue.
Sun. 4100 - 8 calls to Room 604 DRK, Attorneys, 221 South LaSalle Street.
Oak. 2200 - 2 calls - unable to check.
Lin. 1943 - 1 call - unable to check.
Whi. 4100 - 2 calls to Madison Athletic Club.
Sat. 4742 - 2 calls, 18 East Elm Street, apartment hotel.
Sat. 5273 - 1 call, Matrice Massage Saloon, 53 Chicago Avenue.
Sat. 2404 - [REDACTED]
Thu. 2770 - 2 calls Bedrock Dressing Studio, 546 North Michigan Avenue.
Sun. 5010 - 1 call, Curtis Publishing Company.
Sat. 5293 - 1 call, Kirish & Company.
Mon. 5000 - 1 call, Park Dearborn Hotel.
Kit. 6110 - [REDACTED] address unknown.
Wed. 2392 - [REDACTED]
Mar. 4650 - Dearborn Street Railroad Station.
Mar. 4300 - Blackstone Hotel.
Bus. 4100 - Reliance Hotel, apartment 1-5 - 2 calls.

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C.R. 5788 - [REDACTED] Illinois, 1000 Main Street, Chicago
Vins. 1441 - [REDACTED]
SAL. 4838 - [REDACTED]
Dex. 5458 - [REDACTED]
WPA 5438 - Morrison Hotel
R.D. 4821 - [REDACTED]
Dex. 5832 - [REDACTED]
PWA 5288 - [REDACTED] Waterhouse & Co., 25 North LaSalle Street,
Chicago.

An examination was made of room 604 which [REDACTED] was
out by Agent Martin, Sergeant Kompton and [REDACTED] and there was
found a telegram from Chicago, Illinois, addressed to [REDACTED] or [REDACTED]
Room 604 Drake Hotel, which read as follows:

"CONGRATULATIONS BOY! ABSOLUTELY GONE DOWNTOWN
HOWEVER [REDACTED] HAD TO HIDE MY INFORMATION"

(Signed) [REDACTED]

The following address was found on a piece of paper on
the dresser [REDACTED] of First Division Street, also a letter
on the personal stationery of [REDACTED] of New Orleans,
from [REDACTED] bearing the salutation "Dear Dad". The information
contained therein would indicate that [REDACTED] is a very young boy
who is going to school and was telling the person to whom this letter was
addressed about his studies. There was also found a hotel bill from the
Sherman Hotel, made out to [REDACTED] room 631, which showed that he checked
in on January 18th and paid a bill of \$153.00, and that he evidently was
still there.

b7C [REDACTED] gave the following description of the man
registered in Room 604 Drake Hotel under the name of [REDACTED]

Age	About 30 years
Height	5' 7"
Weight	150 or 160 lbs.
Hair	Dark
Complexion	Dark
Eyes	Dark brown, set upper lid about 1 inch long
Wears	A heavy tweed suit of light color.

b7C [REDACTED] stated that he had no baggage when he checked
in at the Drake Hotel with the exception of a brief case.

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Sergeant Kempster, accompanied by Agent Hartia, called at the Chickasawker Hotel and contacted [REDACTED] and he advised that [REDACTED] of New York City had registered in at this hotel on 1/19/34 and was occupying room 604, that during the time that he was at this hotel he made three calls to the Chelsea Hotel, New York City, and one call to Mandeville, Louisiana, on 1/20/34, to [REDACTED] telephone No. 7404.

Agents W. H. Rhodes and A. R. Rice relieved Sergeant Kempster and Agent Hartia in Room 603 at 8:00 P.M. on the night of 1/30/34, and they continued surveillance and listened in on all calls made from and to room 604 during that night. Agent Rice reported that three calls were made to this room from someplace outside and that there was no answer to these calls. An outgoing call was made to Superior 4364 at 11:50 P.M., Chickasawker Hotel, Room 503, the person making the call from Room 604 broke hotel, waited for [REDACTED] and the individual answering replied "You". The person calling then asked for General, and the person on the other end answering to the name of Hill said that General was asleep. An outgoing call was made to Greenleaf 5213, and the person making the call asked for [REDACTED]. The person replying stated that [REDACTED] has it bad. The person calling asked "Is this you Biggs?", and the reply was "Yes". The person calling stated "Well, this is [REDACTED] says that the General and [REDACTED] are together & just talked to them. Tell [REDACTED] received a telegram marked 9:51 p.m. during the following. Both absorption incident, also received a telegram marked 11:35, both absorption accomplished.

On the morning of 1/31/34 at 12:30 P.M. [REDACTED] brought the following telegrams to Sergeant Kempster and Agent Hartia at Room 603. The first telegram was addressed to [REDACTED] Evanston, Illinois, marked send at 8:00 A.M., reading as follows: "ELLAY YEARS SOLE SURVIVING BROTHER IN TOTTERING TELL [REDACTED] signed D'Artagnan. The other telegram was addressed to [REDACTED] Evanston, Illinois, marked, send at 4:00 A.M., and read as follows: "SURVIVING BROTHER IN TOTTERING". Signed "Javesser". [REDACTED] advised that the person occupying Room 604 called the Western Union Telegraph Company and advised that he wanted wire No. 1 above sent at 4:00 A.M. and the second wire sent at 4:00 A.M., and that the Telegraph Company stated that they would be unable to deliver the 4:00 A.M. telegram, whereupon they were told by the man occupying room 604 to disregard the 4:00 o'clock telegram, but to send the 8:00 A.M. telegram.

By telephone Sergeant Kempster contacted Lieutenant Ekman of the Evanston Police Department, in an attempt to check the address [REDACTED] Evanston, Illinois, and ascertain the reputation

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and identity of the parties living at that address and also to attempt to determine who [REDACTED] might be. Lieutenant Homan called Sergeant Kemper back and advised that [REDACTED] and his wife live at this address; that [REDACTED] is a famous bartender in Evanston, Illinois, and is supposed to bear a good reputation in the neighborhood. He stated that [REDACTED] wife's name is [REDACTED] and that he is living with [REDACTED]. At the above address are a man and a woman by the name of [REDACTED]. According to Lieutenant Homan these people are approximately thirty-five years of age. Lieutenant Homan stated that this house is a single family house, and that he had never heard anything which would indicate that these people were not respectable. He stated that the man and woman by the name of [REDACTED] who reside at this address with the [REDACTED] have lived there for about a year and a half. He could furnish no further information.

On January 12, 1934, at 10:10 A.M. the person occupying Room 804 at the Drake Hotel, received a call from Room 803, Ericksoe Hotel, during which the following conversation ensued:

General: Hello. This is Bill. How do you feel?

[REDACTED] I feel like Hell.

[REDACTED] The General is up and says [REDACTED] got a hang out of that wire. That was a pipe. Wait the General wants to talk to you.

General: Hello. How do you feel?
Response: Oh boy. I just decided I wouldn't take it. I got an awful head.

General: Well, I think I can ally off on this one.

Response: So do I. I think that one will last me all week. I just realized that was a big one we had.

General: The boys are over in the basement. I talked to them.
Response: I will be over and have some coffee with you in about twenty minutes. Have you ordered your meal?

General: No. I think I will have some coffee and have some juice.

Response: Well, you better order it then while you are in the mood, it may take me about twenty minutes before I get over and I want to get that call at 1:00 o'clock.

General: Well [REDACTED] is here. We will get it anyway.

Response: O.K. Bill be over in a short time.

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room at 10:45 a.m.

A telegram dated January 10, 1934, was addressed by Special Agent in Charge Parvis to Special Agent in Charge Herter, Birmingham, Alabama, requesting that they ascertain the identity, reputation, occupation and association of [REDACTED] Memphis, Tennessee, and also to ascertain whether or not [REDACTED] had been in Chicago. A response to the above telegram was received from Acting Special Agent in Charge Harless, Birmingham, dated January 11, advising that State Street in Memphis, Tennessee, was a very popular place of abode for colored people and there were apparently no houses on it; also that [REDACTED] was unknown in Memphis. The agent further stated that he made the following say:

Another telegram dated January 20, 1934, was addressed to Special Agent in Charge Alt, Jacksonville, Florida, requesting that office to ascertain if possible the identity, reputation and occupation of [REDACTED] of Pensacola, Florida, and if he was in Chicago at this time to wire reply. On January 20th a wire was received from the Jacksonville Division office advising that [REDACTED] was unknown in Pensacola, Florida.

In May, we obtained from the manager of the hotel that Room 604 had been occupied by a man who was described as being of the Dillinger gang under surveillance. Some of the Dillinger gang had been at the hotel, but not all of them, and when asked, the proprietor of various individuals together with Dillinger and some of his gang he said were in the hotel. Together with Dillinger and some of his gang he said were in the hotel, Police Department were exhibited to the Manager and the bellboys and house detectives, but they were unable to identify any of them as persons who had been at the Drake Hotel, and they were certain that the man occupying room 604 was not one of the Dillinger gang.

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On January 11, 1934, Special Agent in Charge Purvis advised that it would be unnecessary to continue surveillance of [redacted] room any longer, and in accordance with his instruction, Agents Kempster and Agent Martin discontinued surveillance of this room at 3:00 P.M. to that date.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent A. E. Lockerman, who pursuant to instructions from Special Agent in Charge Purvis, inquired at the Sherman Hotel, relative to [redacted] believed to be registered there by the name of [redacted]. This inquiry was being made for the reason that in the room of [redacted] at the Drake Hotel, there was found a hotel bill of [redacted] (approximately \$100.00) in the name of [redacted] at the Sherman Hotel, indicating that he and they hotel a bill of that sum of approximately \$100.00.

[redacted] at the Sherman Hotel, [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] It was learned that [redacted] first registered at the Sherman Hotel on December 8, 1933, at which time he was accompanied by his wife and family, and they at that time occupied rooms 342 and 343; that on January 17, 1934, at 3:47 P.M., [redacted] and his family paid their bill and checked out of that hotel and on the same night at 10:00 o'clock, [redacted] re-registered at the Sherman Hotel in room 750. Their records indicate that he has been there constantly since that time and is still living at that hotel. An examination of his registration card for the last registration indicated that he registered from Pensacola, Florida, no street or business address being given. [redacted] stated that he had been informed by the hotel inspector that [redacted] was an attorney representing [redacted] of New Orleans, Louisiana, and it is believed that he is handling the divorce proceedings for [redacted] against his wife, who is presently suing him for divorce. [redacted] stated that of course, he is not positive that this is the exact situation, but he expressed the opinion that [redacted] is either the attorney or an investigator for [redacted] and that he believes he is his attorney.

Examination of the bills for 342 room indicates that on December 29, 1933, [redacted] paid a bill in the amount of \$142.00 and on January 15, 1934, he paid a bill which at that time amounted to \$157.00, and that at one previous time he had paid a bill for the sum of \$125.00. Further examination of the records relative to the account of [redacted] indicated that on January 16th a telegram was

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sent by Western Union to Mobile, Alabama, and on January 19th a bill was made from [REDACTED] room to Dallas, Texas, New Orleans, at a charge of \$13.45. On the same date a bill was made of [REDACTED] talk to [REDACTED] room to Milwaukee, calling Mrs. [REDACTED] at a charge of \$1.00. On January 19 a call was made to Mobile, Alabama, to [REDACTED] phone No. 3803, at a charge of \$7.00. On the same date a bill was made to Grand Rapids, telephone 9-4111, at a charge of \$1.00. A party by the name of [REDACTED] called this number from [REDACTED] room. On the same date two telegrams were sent to New Orleans and one telegram to New York. These messages were sent by way of regular Telegraph. On January 10th a bill was made from [REDACTED] room to Dallas 1444, New Orleans, at a charge of \$3.45, and on the same date a bill was made to [REDACTED] telephone 9-4111, at which time a person by the name of [REDACTED] made the call. On the same date a telegram was sent by way of regular Union to New Orleans, Louisiana.

b7c [REDACTED] further advised that on or about January 6, 1934, [REDACTED] presented a \$1,000 bill to be charged. He could not recall any checks being tendered to be cashed for any large amounts.

In an effort to determine whether or not the telephone calls to New Orleans from [REDACTED] room had been made to [REDACTED] the New Orleans telephone directory was consulted, and it was found that no telephone is listed for [REDACTED] residence. However, there is a telephone listed on his place of business under the name of [REDACTED] Industrial Facial, telephone [REDACTED].

Further examination of the hotel records indicate that on January 16th the man named [REDACTED] occupied room 941 and the expenses incurred were charged to [REDACTED] room, and that on December 30, 1933, parties by the names of [REDACTED] were in room 937, and that these expenses were also charged to [REDACTED] account; also, that on January 16, room 941 was occupied by [REDACTED] and entire bill being charged to [REDACTED].

[REDACTED] further advised that he [REDACTED] was born in [REDACTED] on [REDACTED] and that his mother and father and brother and sister [REDACTED] would be located through [REDACTED] sister, [REDACTED] and that [REDACTED] could be located through [REDACTED] telephone.

[REDACTED] also expressed the belief that [REDACTED] formerly worked for [REDACTED] on his boat. Through the assistance of [REDACTED] it was also learned through the housekeeper for the floor on which [REDACTED] lives that he spends a considerable portion of his time in his room; that he has numerous letters, telegrams

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and other papers on his desk, the contents being returned to the house keeper, and that he has with a supply of clothes. She also advised that the maid's records for that room indicate that either [redacted] or someone else, has occupied that room every night since he has been registered there, the records not showing a "play-out" for any night.

The following description of [redacted] was obtained from b7C [redacted]

Height	about 4' 10" or 5'
Weight	" 5' 7", or may be taller
Hair	approximately 135 or 140
Eyes	dark
Complexion	dark
Glasses	none
Peculiarities	none
	Barbers

At the time this inquiry was made [redacted] was in his room and it was not possible to have the house detectives or any other employee of the hotel go into the room for the purpose of looking around.

In connection with the name of the address [redacted] which was found in the room occupied by [redacted] at the Hotel, Special Agents R. K. McKee and J. H. Rice called at the above address and learned it to be an old building which has been remodeled into six apartments. The names which appear on the various walls are as follows:

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[REDACTED] Detroit was able to locate the address of this apartment on the night of January 20th, but gave negative results. He was contacted on the following morning, however, and came to the Bureau. The Division Office had advised during an interview that none of the photographs appearing in the Chicago Police Department bulletin of the "Millinger mob" appears to be the likeness of any of the several persons located at [REDACTED].

[REDACTED] The building in question, was asked for data regarding the identities of the occupants of apartment 203. It was stated that the person under inquiry had the name First name and middle initial as one of the persons listed to take apartment 203. [REDACTED] said this apartment is an elevator apartment which has been occupied since October, 1934, by the persons listed above. He stated that they appear to be a middle class family consisting of a man and woman and two children. He has not had any opportunity to come in contact with them to any extent for the reason that they have a regular room in and take care of cleaning. However, he described [REDACTED] as follows:

Age	40 to 45
Height	5' 7"
Weight	180 lbs.
Hair	Medium brown
Eyes	Brown
Complexion	Dark

[REDACTED] the junior, has a telephone listed as [REDACTED]

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It is to be noted that it has been thought that [REDACTED] might be connected with the Millinger mob, this supposition being based upon investigation conducted by the Chicago Police Department and telegram sent by that department to the Detroit and New York City Police Departments indicating that the Millinger mob was travelling East with the [REDACTED] The report of the Chicago Police Department upon which their telegrams were based is set forth in a letter from this office to the Detroit Office dated January 18, 1934, copy of which were furnished to the New York, New Orleans and Cleveland offices. In view of the fact that the investigation as yet could not disclose any connection between the persons of [REDACTED] and the Millinger mob, it was thought advisable to conduct further investigation to ascertain whether there was any connection between the [REDACTED] and the Millinger mob. Accordingly, Special Agents S. K. McKee and W. Carter Baum conducted the following investigation.

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located [REDACTED] upon interview advised that [REDACTED] giving their address as New Orleans, Louisiana, registered at the apartment on the night of November 2nd, 1935, stating that they planned to remain there about one week. [REDACTED] also stated further that recently the parties they were joined with [REDACTED] there [REDACTED] the people, however, did not register at the hotel. [REDACTED] stated that no known suggestions of these people, inasmuch as they placed an unusual number of both local and long distance telephone calls, and for that reason she made it her business to have them watched. She referred letters to [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] who took some information from both [REDACTED].

[REDACTED] upon interview and upon viewing the Chicago Police Department's collection of photographs of the various members of the gangster mob, advised that the photograph of Von Muggler resembled to some extent the man who visited the [REDACTED] room during their stay at the apartment. He said this was done by him in the apartment on several occasions, at which time he was leading his toy bulldog on a leash. He said this man from time to time appeared with a long piece of adhesive tape on his right cheek; that he was also seen without the tape on his face, but that it had not been noticed whether or not he had a nose or injury.

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[REDACTED] advised that she [REDACTED] checked out of the hotel around the first of the year, paid the bill up until then had been taken care of by [REDACTED] but in this connection [REDACTED] came to the desk and tendered a \$100.00 bill. He said [REDACTED] secured this bill from an envelope which he carried in one of his hip pockets, and then at the time that he had a considerable amount of currency on his person. He said that when the \$100.00 bill was refused [REDACTED] reached into one of his other pockets and secured another envelope containing a large amount of currency, from which he took a \$50.00 bill and paid his account.

[REDACTED] upon interviewed, stated that the manager of the hotel communicated with her one day during the early part of the winter and told her that [REDACTED] in apartment 1108 desired to have some letters written. She went to his apartment and found dictation on several occasions, with which [REDACTED] was exceptionally pleased as a result recommendation was made to [REDACTED] to whom [REDACTED] was interested. In this connection she said that [REDACTED] dictation seemed

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to be in a legal vein, and that a great deal of correspondence was had with [REDACTED] and Tolman, Louisville. She informed me her brother covering litigation had been taken up by [REDACTED] who had written one letter to [REDACTED] which bore the return address, New Orleans, Louisiana. She also stated that [REDACTED] had several letters to [REDACTED] and that all of the same were addressed to him at [REDACTED] Michigan.

The hotel records indicate an arrival of [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] shipment of a package by [REDACTED] to [REDACTED] Tolman, Louisiana. In connection with this entry she was told that at the hotel that the package had not been delivered. An examination of the telephone bills covering bills made from Apartment 1108 during the period the [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] were living there, revealed long distance telephone calls from [REDACTED] sent to Brighton, Michigan, Hotel Chippewa, Manistee, Michigan, Long Island, New York, and telephone number Crescent 1050, New Orleans, Louisiana. In addition to the above, there was a large number of local telephone calls and it was noted that a great many calls were placed by telephone numbers Montreal 6500 and Franklin 9500, Chicago.

[REDACTED] were asked to examine closely the various photographs of the Billings and, in order that they might be able to state whether any of the photo men they work at the apartment resembled any of the photographs, and they did not. After the examination they could only state that the photograph of John Dillinger resembled in some degree the man who called on the [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] and who brought with him the two boy Billingers. They advised, however, that there was some resemblance between this man and the photograph of Dillinger, they did not assume to state that they were making an identification.

It should be stated here that none of the persons interviewed could furnish descriptions of the [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] or of the man who had visited them.

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At the apartment house located at [REDACTED] [REDACTED] interviewed. He produced registration records for the apartment which indicated that [REDACTED] and party of three persons, R. E. [REDACTED] registered on December 29, 1933, and were residents of Apartment 1108, which is a two bedroom apartment. It was stated that the party in question consisted of three men and two women. The only name furnished was [REDACTED]. It was also stated that the entire party

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checked out on January 4, 1934, at which time they left no permanent address. FBI Agents were advised that [REDACTED] had an automobile truck in storage at the apartment. [REDACTED] was asked for descriptions of the various persons stated that he was not in a position to furnish name for the reason that he had no name in contact with them. He failed to [REDACTED] who had come in contact with the party, and referred him to Agents.

Photographs of the various members of the Millinger mob were displayed to [REDACTED] but he was unable to point out any particular picture as being the likeness of any of the men or women his companion apartment girl along with [REDACTED]. He could not furnish descriptions of the two women, but described [REDACTED] as being about thirty years of age, heavy set, and as having red hair and a mustache. He described the second man as having light hair, of medium build, and as having the forefinger of his right hand missing. The third man was described as being about 5' 6" in height, weighing about 160 pounds, and as being between 35 to 40 years of age, having black hair which he parted in the middle. He also stated that the third man appeared from time to time with a long piece of adhesive tape on his right cheek. He said that the adhesive tape aroused his curiosity as he also saw this man at times without the tape on his cheek and he noticed particularly that this man did not seem to have anything wrong with the cheek on which the tape had been placed.

[REDACTED] was asked particularly whether any of the three men who had been at the apartment looked like John Millinger, and he was positive in his statement that none of them resembled his photograph.

It was also stated by [REDACTED] that the [REDACTED] party had two Fisher Aeroplane automobiles in their possession; that one of them bore Louisiana license plates, while the other bore Michigan license.

Inquiry was made regarding telephone calls which might have been placed from the apartment, by the [REDACTED] party, and Agency were informed that there were intercom local telephone calls, extending quite a row to the Western Union Telegraph Company, but that the party had not placed any long distance calls during their stay.

Special Agents W. Carter Baum and S. K. McKeon called at room 604 Drake Hotel, Chicago, Illinois, on the afternoon of January 22, 1934, and asked for [REDACTED]. At this time there were two

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men in this room, and after Agents had identified themselves, they [redacted] stated their names as [redacted] and [redacted]. They was asked to explain his position as witness and he stated that he was retained by the [redacted] to give his testimony. It was also stated that he was retained by the [redacted] and the [redacted].

[redacted] was graduated in law from Loyola University of New Orleans, and a member of the Louisiana Legislature from 1928 to 1930, and until the Fall of 1933 practiced law at 4005 Canal Street, New Orleans, Louisiana. He advised that he came to Chicago, Illinois, about the middle of November, 1933, in company with one [redacted] for the purpose of his wife being to arrange negotiations of [redacted] with behalf of [redacted] the wife being accompanied with his party which he called the [redacted]. [redacted] stated that at the time he came to Chicago he was also accompanied by his wife. He also said that he brought with him \$4,000 in currency which had been received from [redacted]

[redacted] was asked to account for his whereabouts since arriving at Chicago. [redacted] stated that he first registered at the Hotel Carlton under his true name, and that he was accompanied by [redacted] who later moved to an apartment located at 2811 West Delaware Place, where he registered as [redacted] and party, he being accompanied at this time by [redacted] and [redacted] who he stated is his brother-in-law. He stated that some time around the first of the year the party which had been at the Carlton [redacted] and dress, moved to an apartment at 4136 Lincoln Park West, where they remained for about a week. [redacted] said that he and the entire party then started on a trip to New York City traveling in two [redacted] automobiles, which were owned by himself and [redacted]

The details of the New York trip will be set out later in an interview with [redacted]

[redacted] advised that he returned to Chicago alone about a week ago and registered at the Knickerbocker Hotel under the name of [redacted]. He said that while still living at the Knickerbocker Hotel he took a room at the Arctic Hotel, under the name of [redacted] advising that at this time he used the above aliases. In this connection he stated that he advised anyone from locating him. In this connection he stated that he was attorney for [redacted] on February 1, 1934, for the reason that he had several friends and relatives and for the further reason that the conditions of his bail were so stringent that he should be freed here that [redacted]; the time of this interview were well

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under the influence of intoxicating liquor has agreed to treat the interview as a joke. [REDACTED] was questioned as to the several telegrams he had sent out, all of which appeared to have been written in a code and he explained same by saying that he sent those messages for the express purpose of annoying the recipients. [REDACTED] also mentioned regarding the identity of the man who had been shot in the right side of his face, that he had been shot in the right side of his face with the piece of adhesive tape appearing on his right cheek, and he advised that he was the man who had worn the tape, the reason being that he has suffered for some time from facial paralysis. In this connection it was noted that the right side of [REDACTED] face is drawn, the right corner of his mouth being pulled out of shape.

It should be stated that a glance at [REDACTED] is sufficient to indicate that he is not one of the individuals connected with the Dillinger gang, as shown in the Chicago Police bulletins. He is described as follows:

Age	35
Height	5' 6"
Weight	160 lbs.
Hair	Black, receding at temples and front.
Eyes	Brown
Scars	None noticeable - no tattoo marks on arms - right side of mouth drawn due to facial paralysis.

Relatives

[REDACTED] mother,

New Orleans, Louisiana.

[REDACTED] mother-in-law,

New Orleans, Louisiana.

[REDACTED] wife,

presently at Hotel Madison,

New York, N. Y.

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With respect to the trip to New York City, which had been referred to, [REDACTED] related that the group which had been referred to had been at [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] left Chicago about January 6th in two Essex terraplane sedans, black and steel gray in color respectively, one of which bore Michigan license plates, while

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the other were Louisiana. [REDACTED] and the purpose of the trip to New York was to secure supplies for the gang. [REDACTED] The group is estimated to consist of 12 to 15 men. [REDACTED] at Brooklyn, New York, [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] Detroit, Michigan, [REDACTED] All members of the party [REDACTED] [REDACTED] were traveling in one car bearing Louisiana license [REDACTED] remainder of the group traveled in the other car. [REDACTED] said that a short distance out of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, [REDACTED] [REDACTED] stopped to rest while the remainder of the party continued on to New York City.

[REDACTED] related that he was stopped by several police officers on the New York side of the Holland Tunnel and searched, being later told that the police were looking for two black automobiles, black and steel gray in color, bearing Michigan and Louisiana license. He said that he was released by the police after identifying himself. [REDACTED] then went on to relate in detail his story of how he had proceeded to New York and performed at the Madison Hotel and had then taken a taxicab and driven back along the road where he met and carried [REDACTED] not to come into the city. In his estimation the police would stop him. He said he had [REDACTED] the result being that [REDACTED] stored his car at the Hudson Essex Garage in Hoboken, New Jersey, and proceeded to New York City by ferry, where he registered at the Moyers Hotel with his wife under his correct name. [REDACTED] stated that he and the remainder of the party registered at the Carlton Hotel as [REDACTED] and party.

After remaining in New York City for several days, the entire group went to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, where they registered at the Green Hotel under the name of [REDACTED] and party. They returned to New York City shortly thereafter and went to the Hudson Hotel, where they again registered under the name of [REDACTED] and party, and in which place, according to [REDACTED] they were taken into custody by police officers and a Department of Justice Agent on January 19, 1934, being released orally thereafter. [REDACTED] stated that he was arrested by Captain Murphy and Lieutenant Johnson of the Police Department and Mr. Agent [REDACTED]. He said those officers questioned him regarding the whereabouts of [REDACTED] and that he refused to tell them where he now or had been the previous night, returned to Chicago and was staying at the Hotel Drake.

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[REDACTED] stated further that he left New York City on January 20, 1934, and reached Chicago on the afternoon of the following day, where he joined [REDACTED] at the Hotel Drake.

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IV is to be noted that [REDACTED] good and reliable
source any of the individuals shown in the Chicago Police Department
bulletins of the Dillinger gang. He is described as follows:

Age	35
Height	5' 7"
Weight	160 lbs.
Eyes	Blue
Build	Medium
Hair	Black
Clothing	Dark suit
Residence	Motel, Marquette, Michigan (for mail purposes only)
Motor Vehicle	Black Lincoln Zephyr with wood grain - letter "M" on front fender [REDACTED] mother.
Relatives	[REDACTED]

CONTRACTOR:

[REDACTED] wife, presently
at Chelsea Hotel, New York
City.

Both [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] advised that they are in the course
of enjoying a "royal bender," stating that at the time of his disappearance
agreement with [REDACTED] he paid himself a fee of \$10,000 from the
money [REDACTED] had turned over to him and had likewise paid [REDACTED] \$1,000
as back salary. Both of these men said they expected to remain in Chicago
for several more days, and to continue to use assumed names in order to
keep people from locating them, and that upon leaving Chicago they anticipated
rejoining the remainder of the party at the Chelsea Hotel in New
York City. [REDACTED] said that he and [REDACTED] would not return to New York
City to rejoin their wives and in fact if it were up to the [REDACTED] just
he also wanted to secure his two daughters and bring them back with him
to Michigan.

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In view of the above information
and in view of the fact that [REDACTED] has no connection
with the Dillinger gang, no further inquiries concerning him are being
made.

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Upon receipt of information telegram, the writer contacted
Chief William O'Connell, Chief of Police, Pensacola, Florida. By him it was
directed to Harry Fischers, alias [redacted] to ascertain the Pensacola address,
telephone number and telephone number of his home and place of work.
He advised he had no permanent address and could not be located.
He advised he was at present working at the [redacted], Pensacola, Florida.

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